

REPORT OF THE TOWN OFFICERS



GRAFTON NEW HAMPSHIRE



FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DEC. 31
1975

MORRIS F. BRALEY

Mr. Braley was born in Grafton, N. H. on June 27, 1890, the son of Walter L. Braley and Lizzie J. (French) Braley. He was a lifelong resident of Grafton until his death on January 23, 1975.

Mr. Braley's education was obtained in the local Grafton School System. Although his education was considered limited, he put it to great use and was a successful businessman for 60 years.

Morris owned his own sawmill and lumber business which he operated for over 50 years.

Mr. Braley is fondly remembered for the fine grey horse and buggy in which he courted the former Mildred C. Sargent, daughter of Edwin L. Sargent & Flora E. (Barney) Sargent.

Mr. Braley was known far and wide for his rabid honesty. "You could always get a better measure from Morris Braley - than any other lumberman in the area".

For many years Mr. Braley held the jobs of Selectman, Road Agent and Trustee of the Trust Funds.

An indication of his early success was shown when he purchased one of the first Maxwell cars in town.

In addition to his other pursuits Mr. Braley ran a slaughter house (on John Wilson's place) with his brother Morris. Mr. Leslie Seamans remembers well working for Mr. Braley, cutting and storing ice - for summer time use.

Coincidentally, Mr. Braley's saw mill was located only a few hundred yards from his inlaw's last surviving "up & down" saw mill.

Mr. Braley will long be remembered for his honesty, humility, determination, wry wit, blue eyes and friendly smile.

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

OFFICERS

of the

TOWN OF GRAFTON
NEW HAMPSHIRE

For The Year Ending December 31

1975

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TOWN OFFICERS

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|---------------|-----------------------|
| MODERATOR | Thomas D. Gleason '76 |
| TOWN CLERK | Dorothy H. Davis '76 |
| TREASURER | June L. Bassett '76 |
| TAX COLLECTOR | Dorothy A. Dadmun '76 |

SELECTMEN

Gerald W. Stiles '76 Wayne H. Knight '77 Robert J. Bryant '78

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

Marion G. Nagle '76 Mary L. Gove '78 Joseph Connelly '80

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Dale F. Bryant '76 Adolph F. Suchy '77 Emilie Connelly '78

BUDGET COMMITTEE

William Hewitt '76 John T. Wilson '77 William B. Pratt '78

AUDITORS

Jessie M. Wilson '76 William A. Kennedy '77

CHIEF OF POLICE C. Lawrence Gove

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Richard F. Williams Harold E. Duefield Paul C. Gove
Roger Warcup

FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Thomas Gleason Richard Williams Stanley Philips

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT Paul C. Gove

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Emilie Connelly '76 Mary L. Gove '77 Marion G. Nagle '78

PLANNING BOARD

Jessie Wilson '76 Margo Moran, Sec. '78 Leonard Guaraldi '77
Wayne H. Knight, Selectman Ex-officio
John Bassett, Chairman '79

**WARRANT TOWN OF GRAFTON
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

The Polls will be open from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Grafton in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said Grafton on Tuesday, the second day of March, next at 1:00 of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

The business meeting to act on the remaining articles in the 1976 town warrant will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Grafton Town Hall.

3. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to appoint a town recreation commission, which will consist of three members to be appointed for staggered three year terms. An appropriation of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) is requested to implement the program.

4. To see if the town will approve an annual appropriation of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to be placed in a special account for future dump use.

5. To see if the town will approve an appropriation of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00), to be placed in a special account for tax mapping.

6. To see if the town will approve an appropriation of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000.00) to reimburse tax payers for over assessed property taxes.

7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand, one hundred and fifty-five and 07/100 dollars (\$1,155.07) and thereby receive seven thousand, seven hundred and 47/100 dollars (\$7,700.47) from the State for town road aid.

8. To see if the town will vote to hear a report of the Budget Committee and to act thereon.

9. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow in anticipation of tax revenues.

10. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to convey by quitclaim deed all property acquired by tax deed or to take any other action pertaining thereto.

11. To see if the town will vote to allow monies accumulated through rental of town highway equipment and monies presently in the Capital Reserve Fund, to be used for the purchase of highway equipment by the road agent with the consent of the selectmen.

12. To see if the town will vote for an ordinance for minimum lot size. Henceforth, lot size for dwellings shall be a minimum of two acres.

13. To see if the town will vote for an ordinance for specifications for driveways and approaches. Henceforth, new driveways and approaches must be constructed to meet the following specifications:

- a. Where ditch lines exist, a twelve inch minimum drain culvert must be used to avoid breaking said lines.
- b. Surfaces must be at least gravelled.
- c. Driveways and approaches must be approved by the Board of Selectmen.

14. To see if the town will vote to place a light at the town beach and thereby ensure public security.

15. To see if the town will authorize the collection of taxes on a semi-annual basis. (50% based on previous years tax payable on June 1st and the balance paid on December 1st) (RSA76:15A, 1973:128)

16. To see if the town will vote to authorize the expenditure of one thousand, nine hundred and nineteen dollars (\$1,919.00) plus interest of Revenue Sharing money now held in a special account for tax mapping.

Given under our hands and seal, this 7th day of Feb., in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-six.

GERALD W. STILES
WAYNE H. KNIGHT
ROBERT J. BRYANT
Selectmen of Grafton

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

GERALD W. STILES
WAYNE H. KNIGHT
ROBERT J. BRYANT
Selectmen of Grafton

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GRAFTON

| Purpose of Appropriation | Appro. Previous Fiscal Yr. | Actual Expend. Previous Fiscal Yr. | Appro. Ensuing Fiscal Yr. 1976 |
|---|----------------------------------|---|---|
| General Government: | | | |
| Town Officers' Salaries | \$ 2,800.00 | \$ 2,328.95 | \$ 2,800.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 2,200.00 | 2,079.93 | 2,200.00 |
| Election & Registration Expenses | 450.00 | 506.99 | 600.00 |
| Municipal & District Court Ex. | | 149.78 | 150.00 |
| Town Hall & other Town Bldg. | 1,700.00 | 1,843.48 | 1,100.00 |
| Employees' Retirement & S.S. | 2,500.00 | 2,408.70 | 2,500.00 |
| Selectman's Clerk | 300.00 | 245.45 | 300.00 |
| Protection of Persons & Property: | | | |
| Forest Fire Warden | | | 300.00 |
| Police Department | 1,350.00 | 1,034.00 | 1,350.00 |
| Fire Department | 800.00 | 896.30 | 1,200.00 |
| Care of Trees & cutting brush | 1,000.00 | 73.30 | 1,000.00 |
| Insurance | 3,000.00 | 3,400.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Planning & Zoning | 200.00 | 88.14 | 200.00 |
| Damages & Legal Expense | 300.00 | 160.00 | 300.00 |
| Civil Defense | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Health Dept. (Incl. Hosp. & Ambulance) | | | |
| Vital Statistics | 20.00 | 16.00 | 20.00 |
| Sewer Maint. Health Office | 20.00 | 20.00 | 20.00 |
| Town Dump & Garbage Removal | 8,000.00 | 450.00 | 500.00 |
| Highways & Bridges: | | | |
| Town Maint. - Summer & Winter | 15,000.00 | 11,028.05 | 15,000.00 |
| Street Lighting | 1,000.00 | 1,130.02 | 1,300.00 |
| Gen. Expenses of Highway Dept. | 8,000.00 | 8,496.59 | 9,000.00 |
| Town Road Aid | 1,156.64 | 1,340.84 | 1,155.07 |
| Libraries: | 685.00 | 685.00 | 750.00 |
| Public Welfare: | | | |
| Town Poor | 2,500.00 | 1,502.07 | 3,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 1,500.00 | 782.82 | 1,500.00 |
| Aid to Per. & Totally Disabled | 2,500.00 | 36.57 | 1,000.00 |
| Patriotic Purposes | | | |
| Memorial Day, Etc. | 50.00 | 50.00 | 150.00 |
| Recreation | 50.00 | 50.00 | 300.00 |
| Public Service Enterprises: | | | |
| Cemeteries & Tw. Hall & | | | |
| Huff Beach | 1,000.00 | 1,895.00 | 1,200.00 |
| Regional Associations | | 417.00 | 600.00 |

| | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Debt Service: | | | |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 1,200.00 | 3,418.16 | 4,000.00 |
| Capital Outlay: | | | |
| Emerg. Highway Fund | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 |
| Duncan Fund | 14,401.91 | 7,424.38 | 17,471.32 |
| Oiling & Patching Roads | 2,000.00 | 74.90 | 2,000.00 |
| Culverts | 2,000.00 | 1,140.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Highway Subsidy | 13,512.14 | 12,310.88 | 13,478.74 |
| Mascoma Health Council | 500.00 | 484.00 | 854.00 |
| Trustee's Expenses | 300.00 | | 300.00 |
| Tax Map | | | 8,000.00 |
| Payment to Capital Res. Funds | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Flood Disaster | | | 32,198.34 |
| Dump Fund - Special Article | | | 1,000.00 |
| Over-assessed Prop. Taxes - Abatements | | | 13,000.00 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS | \$94,095.69 | \$69,067.30 | \$151,397.47 |

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|------------|------------|------------|
| Estimated | Actual | Est. Rev. |
| Revenue | Revenue | Ensuing |
| Previous | Previous | Fiscal Yr. |
| Fiscal Yr. | Fiscal Yr. | 1976 |

Sources of Revenue

From State:

| | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Interest & Dividends Tax | \$ 2,462.57 | \$ 4,778.10 | \$ 4,000.00 |
| Savings Bank Tax | 723.00 | 826.97 | 700.00 |
| Meals & Rooms Tax | 2,000.00 | 3,063.25 | 2,500.00 |
| Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V) | 13,354.05 | 13,512.14 | 13,478.74 |
| Reim. A/C Bus. Profit Tax (Town Portion) | | 547.68 | *187.00 |
| Duncan Fund | 14,448.80 | 14,401.91 | 17,471.32 |
| Gas Tax Refund | 400.00 | 294.75 | 300.00 |

From Local Sources:

| | | | |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Dog Licenses | 165.00 | 237.80 | 225.00 |
| Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees | 50.00 | 72.00 | *75.00 |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 5,500.00 | 6,095.32 | 5,500.00 |
| Interest on Taxes & Deposits | | | |
| Rev. SH & Tr. note Bonds | 300.00 | 35.58 | 50.00 |
| Nat. Bank Stock Taxes | 15.00 | 16.00 | 15.00 |
| Resident Taxes Retained | 2,560.00 | 2,230.00 | 2,200.00 |
| Normal Yield Taxes Assessed | 1,934.00 | 1,784.77 | 2,000.00 |
| Rent of Town Property | | 10.00 | |
| Sale of Town Property | 150.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 |

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|--|--------|----------|-----------|
| Trustee of Trust Fds. for cem. care | 874.75 | 621.50 | 700.00 |
| Roads for land vest (10,941.76 — 8,592.91) | | 2,348.85 | |
| Misc. late collection - tw. clerk | | *9.60 | |
| Revenue Sharing | | 1,919.00 | 7,212.00 |
| Flood Disaster | | | 32,198.34 |

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| *TOTAL Revenues from all sources | | | |
| except prop. taxes | \$44,937.17 | \$52,930.22 | \$ 88,937.40 |
| *Amount to be raised by Prop. Taxes | | | 62,460.07 |

TOTAL REVENUES \$151,397.47

*Total estimated "Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year gives "Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes".

WILLIAM E. HEWITT
JOHN P. WILSON
WILLIAM B. PRATT
GERALD W. STILES

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------|----------------|
| Land: | | | |
| Resident | | \$ 339,504.00 | |
| Non-Resident | | 794,725.00 | |
| | | | 1,134,229.00 |
| Buildings: | | | |
| Resident | | 1,026,070.00 | |
| Non-Resident | | 1,029,100.00 | |
| | | | 2,055,170.00 |
| Mobile Homes (59) | | | |
| Resident | | 98,600.00 | |
| Non-Resident | | 78,600 | |
| | | | 177,200.00 |
| Factories (Res.) | | | 2,000.00 |
| Public Utilities (N.R.) | | | 73,900.00 |
| | | | |
| TOTAL VALUE before exemptions | | | \$3,442,499.00 |
| Less - Exemptions: | | | |
| Blind (2) | | 2,000.00 | |
| Elderly (22) | | 44,000.00 | |
| Veterans 54 at 50.00 | | 2,700.00 | |
| Disabled Veteran 1 at full | | 10,580.00 | |
| Disabled Veteran 1 at 600.00 | | 8,100.00 | |
| TOTAL Exemptions allowed | | | 67,380.00 |
| NET VALUATION | | | \$3,375,119.00 |

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES

ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 1975

| | |
|---|--------------------|
| Town Officers' Salaries | \$ 2,800.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 2,200.00 |
| Election & Registration Expenses | 450.00 |
| Selectmen's Clerk | 300.00 |
| Town Hall & Other Town Buildings | 1,000.00 |
| Employees' Retirement & Social Security | 2,500.00 |
| Contingency Fund - Emergency Highway Fund | 1,000.00 |
| Police Department | 1,350.00 |
| Refurbish Town Hall | 700.00 |
| Fire Department | 800.00 |
| Care of Trees (Incl. Blister Rust & Moth Ext.), Removal, Raking | 1,000.00 |
| Insurance | 3,000.00 |
| Planning & Zoning | 200.00 |
| Damages & Legal Expenses | 300.00 |
| Civilian Defense | 100.00 |
| Health Dept., Mascoma Health Council | 500.00 |
| Vital Statistics | 20.00 |
| Sewers, Maintenance | 20.00 |
| Town Dump & Garbage Collection & New Solid Waste Disposal Method | 8,000.00 |
| Town Maintenance — Summer & Winter | 15,000.00 |
| Street Lighting | 1,000.00 |
| General Expenses of Highway Department | 8,000.00 |
| Town Road Aid | 1,156.64 |
| Libraries | 685.00 |
| Town Poor | 2,500.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 1,500.00 |
| Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled | 2,500.00 |
| Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day, etc.) | 50.00 |
| Recreation (Parks, Playgrounds, etc.) | 50.00 |
| Oiling, Patching | 2,000.00 |
| Cemeteries, Town Hall, Huff Beach Caretaker | 1,000.00 |
| Culverts | 2,000.00 |
| Advertising & Regional Associations | 317.00 |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 1,200.00 |
| Duncan Fund | 14,401.91 |
| Highway Subsidy | 13,512.14 |
| Trustees Expenses | 300.00 |
| Payment to Capital Reserve Funds | 1,000.00 |
| TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATIONS | \$94,412.69 |

LESS: ESTIMATED REVENUES AND CREDITS

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Interest and Dividends Tax | \$ 4,778.00 |
| Duncan Fund | 14,402.00 |
| Savings Bank Tax | 827.00 |
| Meals and Rooms Tax | 3,063.00 |
| Gas Tax Refund | 198.00 |
| Revenue from Yield Tax Sources | 1,928.00 |
| Interest Received on Taxes | 465.00 |
| Interest Received on Deposits | 22.00 |
| Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees | 62.00 |
| Dog Licenses | 212.00 |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fee | 5,624.00 |
| Rent of Town Property and Equipment | 1,102.00 |
| Cemetery Lots | 50.00 |
| National Bank Stock Taxes | 15.00 |
| Resident Taxes | 2,910.00 |
| Highway Subsidy | 13,512.00 |
| \$32,000 Flood Disaster | |
| | <hr/> |
| Total Revenues and Credits | \$49,170.00 |
| Net Town Appropriations | 45,242.69 |
| Net School Appropriations | 102,030.79 |
| County Tax Assessment | 12,651.33 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total of Town, School and County | \$159,924.81 |
| Deduct: Total Bus. Profits Tax Reimbursement | 410.76 |
| Add: War Service Tax Credits | 3,880.00 |
| Add: Overlay | 3,000.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Property Taxes to be Raised | \$166,394.05 |

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Tax Rate for Town of Grafton**

| Unit of Government | Rate |
|--------------------|-------|
| Municipal | 1.52 |
| County | .37 |
| School | 3.01 |
| | <hr/> |
| Combined Rate | 4.90 |

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1975

| Title of Appropriation | Appro. | Receipts | | Total Amount Available | Unexpended Balance | Over drafts |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| | | \$ | \$ | | | |
| Town Officers Salaries | 2,800.00 | \$ | \$ | 2,800.00 | \$ 566.47 | \$ |
| Town Officers Expenses | 2,200.00 | | | 2,200.00 | 2,082.93 | 117.07 |
| Election and Registration | 450.00 | | | 450.00 | 506.99 | 56.99 |
| Town Hall & Other Buildings | 1,000.00 | | | 1,000.00 | 1,128.03 | 128.03 |
| Refurbish Town Hall | 700.00 | | | 700.00 | 715.45 | 15.45 |
| Employees Ret. & S. S. | 2,500.00 | | | 2,500.00 | 2,408.70 | 91.30 |
| Selectman's Clerk | 300.00 | | | 300.00 | 300.00 | |
| Police Department | 1,350.00 | | | 1,350.00 | 1,034.00 | 316.00 |
| Fire, including Forest Fire | 800.00 | 36.45 | | 836.45 | 896.30 | 59.85 |
| Tree removal & Railing | 1,000.00 | | | 1,000.00 | 73.30 | 926.70 |
| Insurance | 3,000.00 | | | 3,000.00 | 3,400.00 | 400.00 |
| Planning & Zoning | 200.00 | | | 200.00 | 88.14 | 111.86 |
| Town Hall, Huff Beach, & Cemeteries | 1,000.00 | 701.00 | | 1,701.00 | 1,895.00 | 194.00 |
| Damages & Legal Fees | 300.00 | | | 300.00 | 160.00 | 140.00 |
| Health Department | 20.00 | | | 20.00 | 20.00 | |
| Vital Statistics | 20.00 | | | 20.00 | 16.00 | 4.00 |
| Mascoma Health Council | 500.00 | | | 500.00 | 484.00 | 16.00 |
| Town Dump | 8,000.00 | | | 8,000.00 | 450.00 | 7,550.00 |
| Town Road Maintenance | 15,000.00 | | | 15,000.00 | 11,028.00 | 3,972.00 |
| Street Lighting | 1,000.00 | | | 1,000.00 | 1,130.02 | 130.02 |
| General Highway Expenses | 8,000.00 | | | 8,000.00 | 8,496.59 | 496.59 |
| Town Road Aid | 1,156.64 | | | 1,156.64 | 1,403.45 | 246.81 |

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE
TOWN OF GRAFTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
in Grafton County**

**for the
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975**

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

February 7, 1976

GERALD W. STILES
WAYNE H. KNIGHT
ROBERT J. BRYANT
Selectmen

JUNE BASSETT
Treasurer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Assets

| | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Cash: In hand of treasurer | \$ 53,215.92 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 53,215.92 |
| Capital Reserve Funds | 8,219.18 | |
| Total | | \$ 8,219.18 |
| Accounts Due to the Town | | |
| Fed. Flood Assisstance | 32,198.34 | |
| Cem. Trust Fund | 79.50 | |
| Total | | \$ 32,277.84 |
| Unredeemed Taxes: | | |
| Levy of 1974 | 4,989.61 | |
| Levy of 1973 | 223.54 | |
| Previous Years | 72.31 | |
| Total | | \$ 5,285.46 |
| Uncollected Taxes: | | |
| Levy of 1975, Including Resident Taxes | 26,211.53 | |
| Levy of 1974 | 135.09 | |
| Levy of 1973 | 40.00 | |
| Total | | \$ 26,386.62 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | \$125,385.02 |
| THIS GRAND TOTAL | | \$125,385.02 |
| Curent Surplus, Dec. 31, 1974 | | 12,309.08 |
| Current Surplus, Dec. 31, 1975 | | 12,176.06 |
| Decrease of surplus - Change in financial condition | | 133.02 |

Liabilities

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| Accounts Owed by the Town: | |
| Bills outstanding | \$ 3,723.03 |
| Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds | 1,942.36 |
| Unexpended State Highway Subsidy Funds | 1,048.67 |
| Due to State: | |
| 2% - Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes | |
| (Uncollected \$17.51) (Collected - not re- | |
| mitted to St. Treas. \$297.46) | 314.97 |
| Yield Tax Deposits (Escrow Acc't) | 1,207.22 |
| School District Tax Payable | 53,143.74 |
| Unexpended Duncan Fund | 6,912.66 |
| Tax Anticipation Notes Outstanding: | |
| Flood money - equipment replacement | 7,286.44 |
| Nat'l Bank of Lebanon 12-22-75 | 27,601.31 |
| Additional Interest | 51.78 |
| Other Liabilities | |
| Town Highway Equipment Fund (new) | 1,757.60 |
| Total Accounts Owed by the Town | \$104,989.78 |
| Capital Reserve Funds: | 8,219.18 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | \$113,208.96 |
| Current Surplus | 12,176.06 |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$125,385.02 |

Receipts

| | |
|--|--------------|
| From Local Taxes: | |
| Property Taxes - 1975 | \$132,352.62 |
| Resident Taxes - 1975 | 2,230.00 |
| Nat. Bank Stock Taxes - 1975 | 16.00 |
| Yield Taxes - 1975 | 1,784.77 |
| Total Current Year's Taxes | |
| Collected and Remitted | \$136,383.39 |
| Property Taxes and Yield Taxes - Previous Yrs. | 18,979.46 |
| Resident Taxes - Previous Years | 570.00 |
| Interest received on Delinquent Taxes | 500.42 |
| Penalties: Resident Taxes 57.00 St. head tax '75 14.00 | 71.00 |
| Tax sales redeemed | 3,146.20 |
| From State: | |
| For Town Road Aid | 1,997.30 |
| Duncan Fund | 14,401.91 |
| Highway Subsidy | 13,512.14 |
| Interest and dividends tax | 4,778.10 |
| Railroad tax - gas refund | 294.75 |

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|--|--------------|---------------------|
| Savings Bank Tax | | 826.97 |
| Fighting forest fires - training session | | 36.45 |
| Meals and Rooms Tax | | 3,063.25 |
| Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax | | 547.68 |
| Bd. & Db. Retirement Tax | | 17.51 |
| From Local Sources, Except Taxes: | | |
| Dog Licenses | | 237.80 |
| Business licenses, permits and filing fees | | 72.00 |
| Rent of town property | | 10.00 |
| Interest received on deposits | | 12.22 |
| Late collection '74 | | 9.60 |
| Motor vehicle permits - 1975 | | 6,095.32 |
| Land Vest work | | 10,941.76 |
| P. Gove & Ruggles Mine | | 176.75 |
| TOTAL CURRENT REVENUE RECEIPTS | | \$216,681.98 |
| Receipts Other than Current Revenue: | | |
| Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes | \$117,351.96 | |
| Refunds | 756.10 | |
| Sale of town property | 125.00 | |
| Yield Tax Security Deposits | 1,195.00 | |
| Grants from U. S. A. | | |
| Revenue Sharing | 1,919.00 | |
| Int. on Investments of Rev. Sharing Funds | 23.36 | |
| All other grants - Police Radio | 1,122.00 | |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS other than current revenue | | \$122,492.42 |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS from All Sources | | 339,174.40 |
| Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1975 | | 20,011.80 |
| THIS GRAND TOTAL | | \$359,186.20 |

Payments
Current Maintenance Expenses

| | |
|--|-------------|
| General Government: | |
| Town officers' salaries & | |
| Selectman's Clerk | \$ 2,571.40 |
| Town officers' expenses | 1,885.52 |
| Election and registration expenses | 506.99 |
| Municipal and District Court expenses | 149.78 |
| Expenses town hall and other town build. | 1,843.48 |
| Protection of Persons and Property: | |
| Police department | 1,034.00 |
| Parking Meters - Operation and Maint. and Police radio | 1,099.00 |
| Fire Dept., including forest fires | 896.30 |
| Moth extermination - Blister Rust and Care of Trees, Cutting Brush | 73.30 |
| Insurance | 3,400.00 |
| Civil Defense | 100.00 |
| Health: | |
| Health dept., including hosp. & ambulance | 504.00 |
| Vital statistics | 16.00 |
| Town dumps and garbage removal | 450.00 |
| Highways and Bridges: | |
| Culverts \$1,140.00, cold patch 74.90 | 1,214.90 |
| Town Road Aid | 1,340.84 |
| Town Maint. (Summer \$4,881.33) (Winter \$6,146.67) | 11,028.00 |
| Street lighting | 1,130.02 |
| Gen. Expenses of Highway Dept. | 8,496.59 |
| Land Vest Roads | 8,592.91 |
| Libraries | 685.00 |
| Public Welfare: | |
| Old age assistance | 782.82 |
| Town poor | 1,502.07 |
| Aid to Perm. and Totally Disabled | 36.57 |
| Patriotic Purposes: Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations and Old Home Day | |
| | 50.00 |
| Recreation: Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts | |
| | 50.00 |
| Public Service Enterprises: Cemeteries, including hearse hire | |
| | 1,895.00 |
| Unclassified: Damages and legal expenses | |
| | 160.00 |
| Advertising and Regional Associations | 417.00 |
| Taxes bought by town | 4,797.62 |
| Discounts, Abatements and refunds | 37.00 |
| Employees' Retirement and S. S. | 2,408.70 |
| 1974 withholding tax | 1,445.86 |
| Total Current Maint. Expenses | \$ 9,106.18 |

| | | |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Auto Filing Fees | 528.00 | |
| Debt Service: | | |
| Paid on tax anticipation notes | 3,418.16 | |
| Total Interest Payments | <u> </u> | \$ 3,946.16 |
| Principal of Debt: | | |
| Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes | 105,000.00 | |
| Total Principal Payments | <u> </u> | \$105,000.00 |
| Capital Outlay: | | |
| Highways and Bridges - State Aid const. | 7,424.38 | |
| Highways and Bridges - Town const. | 12,310.88 | |
| Lands and buildings | 63.50 | |
| Payments to capital reserve funds | 1,000.00 | |
| Total Outlay Payments | <u> </u> | \$ 20,798.76 |
| Payments to other Gov. Divisions: | | |
| Resident Taxes paid St. Treas. | | |
| 1975 Boat Tax | 3.08 | |
| Payments to St. a-c 2% Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes | 503.95 | |
| Taxes paid to County | 12,651.33 | |
| Payments to State - TRA | 1,156.64 | |
| Payments to School Districts | | |
| 1974 Tax \$66,606.79 - 1975 Tax \$34,702.90 | 101,309.69 | |
| Total Payments to other Gov. Divisions | <u> </u> | \$115,624.69 |
| Total Payments for all Purposes | | \$305,970.28 |
| Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1975 | | 53,215.92 |
| | | <u> </u> |
| THIS GRAND TOTAL | | \$359,186.20 |

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 1975

| Description | Value |
|---|-------------------|
| Town Hall, Lands and Buildings | \$ 20,000.00 |
| Furniture and Equipment | 1,000.00 |
| Libraries, Lands and Buildings | 15,000.00 |
| Furniture and Equipment | 900.00 |
| Police Department, Lands and Buildings | 2,200.00 |
| Fire Department, Lands and Buildings | 6,000.00 |
| Equipment | 18,000.00 |
| Highway Department, Lands and Buildings | 15,000.00 |
| Equipment | 50,000.00 |
| Materials and Supplies | 10,000.00 |
| Parks, Commons and Playgrounds | 1,500.00 |
| Pine Grove Cemetery (2,500), Town Safe (50) | 2,550.00 |
| | <u> </u> |
| TOTAL | \$142,150.00 |

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

| | | | |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|------------|
| Dogs: | | | |
| 83 Males | | \$ 184.00 | |
| 12 Females | | 61.00 | |
| 1 Kennel | | 12.00 | |
| | | | \$ 257.00 |
| Less Clerk's Fee | | | 19.20 |
| | | | \$ 237.80 |
| Auto Permits | | | 5,837.32 |
| Junk License | | | 25.00 |
| Filing Fee | | | 15.00 |
| Clerk's Auto Fee | | | 258.00 |
| ('74 Dog Lic.) Due 1974 | | | 9.60 |
| | | | \$6,382.72 |
| TOTAL | | | |

Respectfully submitted
DOROTHY H. DAVIS
Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES LEVY OF 1975

— Dr. —

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| Taxes Committed to Collector: | | | |
| Property Taxes | \$163,437.12 | | |
| Resident Taxes | 2,830.00 | | |
| National Bank Stock Taxes | 15.00 | | |
| Total Warrants | \$166,282.12 | | |
| Yield Taxes | | 1,927.91 | |
| Added Taxes: | | | |
| Property Taxes | 220.50 | | |
| Resident Taxes | 110.00 | | |
| | | 330.50 | |
| Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes | | 14.00 | |
| TOTAL DEBITS | | \$168,554.53 | |

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1973**

— Dr. —

| | | | |
|---|----|---------------|------------------|
| Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1975: | | | |
| Property Taxes | \$ | 195.84 | |
| Resident Taxes | | 40.00 | |
| | | 235.84 | |
| TOTAL DEBITS | | 235.84 | \$ 235.84 |

— Cr. —

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|--|---------------|------------------|
| Uncollected Taxes - Dec. 31, 1975: | | | |
| (As per collector's list) | | | |
| Property Taxes | | 195.84 | |
| Resident Taxes | | 40.00 | |
| | | 235.84 | |
| TOTAL CREDITS | | 235.84 | \$ 235.84 |

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975

— Dr. —

| | Tax Sale on Account of Levies of: | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| | 1974 | 1973 | 1972 |
| (a) Balance of Unredeemed | | | |
| Taxes of Jan. 1, 1975 | \$ | \$ 195.84 | \$ 67.31 |
| (B) Taxes Sold to Town During | | | |
| Current Fiscal Year | 4,797.62 | | |
| Interest Collected After Sale | 101.35 | | |
| Redemption Costs | 90.64 | 27.70 | 5.00 |
| | \$4,989.61 | \$ 223.54 | \$ 72.31 |
| TOTAL DEBITS | | | |

— Cr. —

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
| Remittances to Treas. during year: | | | |
| Redemptions | | \$3,146.20 | |
| Interest & Costs After Sale | | 191.99 | |
| Unredeemed Taxes - Dec. 31, 1975 | | 1,607.42 | 223.54 |
| Redeemed Res. Tax after sale | | 44.00 | 72.31 |
| TOTAL CREDITS | | \$4,989.61 | \$ 223.54 |
| | | | \$ 72.31 |

- (a) "Balance of Unredeemed Taxes - January 1, 1975"
Should include balances of Unredeemd Taxes, as of beginning of fiscal year - January 1, 1974 from Tax Sales of previous years.
- (b) "Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year".
Tax Sales held during fiscal year ending December 31, 1975, should include total amount of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale.

NOTE: Total Debits and Total Credits should agree.

UNREDEEMED TAXES FOR TAX SALE
December 31, 1975

1974

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Altmansberger, David | \$ 439.45 |
| Latuch, Joseph (heirs) | 98.47 |
| Patterson, John & Nell | 112.05 |
| Winters, Boyce & Joyce | 437.53 |
| Davis & Symond Lumber | 60.89 |
| Malloy, Elsie (estate) | 60.89 |
| Brale, Donald & Bertha | 85.35 |
| Land Aucton Bureau | 312.79 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,607.42 |

1973

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Sarrett, Alfred | \$ 61.33 |
| Hawkes, Walter & Jean | 99.93 |
| Desisto Joseph | 31.14 |
| Desisto Joseph | 31.14 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 223.54 |

1972

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Latuch, Joseph (heirs) | \$ 72.31 |
|------------------------|----------|

I hereby certify that the above list, showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer as of December 31, 1975 on account of the tax levy of 1973, 1974 and 1975, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DOROTHY A. DADMUN
Tax Collector

DUTIES OF TAX COLLECTOR

41:35 Duties of Collector. Every collector of taxes shall keep in suitable books a fair and correct account in detail of the taxes due, collected, and abated, and of all property sold for nonpayment of taxes, which books shall be public records. A TAX COLLECTOR SHALL PAY ALL MONEY COLLECTED TO THE TOWN TREASURER AT LEAST ON A WEEKLY BASIS, OR ON A DAILY BASIS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION. SUCH DAILY OR WEEKLY PAYMENTS MAY BE DEFERRED UNTIL THE TAX RECEIPTS TOTAL FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. He shall make final payment to the town treasurer of all moneys collected by him within ten days after the close of the town's fiscal year. Failure to deposit collections on a timely basis shall be cause for immediate removal from office. He shall submit his tax books and lists to the treasurer and selectmen for inspection and computation when requested so to do and if they discover any errors therein they shall immediately notify the town auditors thereof; and the auditors shall promptly examine the collector's records and make a written report to the selectmen and the department of revenue administration of their findings, conclusions and recommendations. The collector shall be at his usual place of business, or any other place, at least one day each month for at least two hours continuously for the transaction of tax business, which time and place shall be printed upon the tax bills sent out by the collector. He shall make a written report to the town at the end of each fiscal year which shall contain the amount of the taxes committed to him to collect; the amount of taxes collected, together with interest thereon; the amount of discounts allowed; the amount of taxes abated; the total amount of uncollected taxes; and an account of all sales of real estate by him to collect taxes. Upon written request therefor the collector shall provide the selectmen with an itemized list of the uncollected taxes at the end of the fiscal year.

TOWN TREASURERS REPORT

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Balance Jan. 1, 1975 | \$ 20,011.80 |
| Received from Tax Collector: | |
| Property Taxes | \$154,554.28 |
| Resident Taxes | 2,760.00 |
| Yield Taxes | 1,784.77 |
| Interest and Cost | 535.42 |
| | 159,634.47 |
| Received from Town Clerk: | |
| Auto Permits | 6,095.32 |
| Dog Taxes | 237.80 |
| Filing Fees | 15.00 |
| Junkyard Permit | 25.00 |
| Due from 1974 | 9.60 |
| | 6,382.72 |
| Received from Selectmen: | |
| Pistol Permits | 26.00 |
| Dynamite Permits | 6.00 |
| Cemetery Lot | 50.00 |
| Insurance Refund | 5.60 |
| Food Order Refund | 30.00 |
| Refund Gulf Oil Corp. | 75.00 |
| Sale of "old" water coolers | 75.00 |
| Care of Cemeteries: Trustees Trust Funds | 621.50 |
| 4 gallons paint | 24.00 |
| Ruggles Mine - Hire of grader & labor | 168.75 |
| | \$ 1,081.85 |
| Received from State of N. H.: | |
| Duncan Fund | 14,401.91 |
| Highway Subsidy | 13,512.14 |
| Dividend Tax | 4,778.10 |
| Rooms & Meals Tax | 3,063.25 |
| T.R.A. Wages Refund | 1,403.45 |
| Bank Tax | 826.97 |
| T.R.A. Town Truck Earnings | 593.85 |
| Business Profit Tax | 547.68 |
| Gas Tax Refund | 294.75 |
| Forest Fire Bill Refund (1/2) | 36.45 |
| Bond & Debt Tax | 17.51 |
| | 39,476.06 |
| Received from Road Agent: | |
| Land Vest Inc. work on Cherry Hill Rd. | 10,941.76 |
| Rent of Road Sweeper | 10.00 |
| 1 Load Gravel | 8.00 |
| | 10,959.76 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| National Bank of Lebanon: | |
| Tax Anticipation Notes | 117,351.96 |
| Transfer of Fed. Grant (Police Radio) | 1,122.00 |
| National Bank Stock Tax | 16.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$356,036.62 |
| Selectmen's Orders Paid | 305,970.28 |
| Balance 12-31-75 | 50,066.34 |

Respectfully Submitted
 JUNE L. BASSETT
 Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT OF REVENUE SHARING

| | |
|---|------------|
| Savings Account: National Bank of Lebanon | |
| 10-11-74 Deposit | 58.00 |
| 4-11-75 Deposit | 58.00 |
| 7- 8-75 Deposit | 58.00 |
| 10-14-75 Deposit | 1,803.00 |
| Interest | 23.36 |
| | <hr/> |
| TOTAL 12-31-76 | \$2,000.36 |

JUNE L. BASSETT
 Treasurer

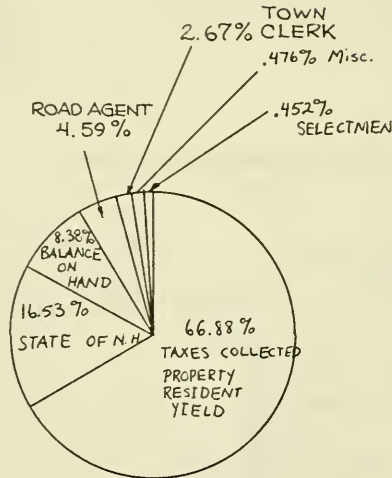
TREASURERS REPORT - TIMBER TAX BOND

| | |
|---|------------|
| Savings Account: National Bank of Lebanon | |
| 9-12-75 Deposit | 1,040.00 |
| 10- 2-75 Deposit | 130.00 |
| 10-21-75 Deposit | 25.00 |
| Interest 12-31-75 | 12.22 |
| | <hr/> |
| TOTAL 12-31-75 | \$1,207.22 |

JUNE L. BASSETT
 Treasurer

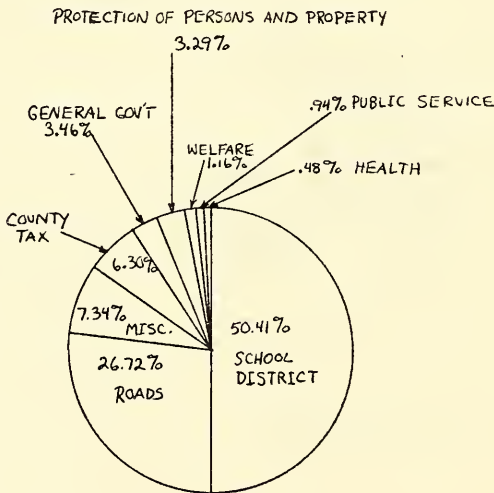
SELECTMEN'S ANALYSIS OF INCOME

| | | |
|--|-------|--------------|
| Total Income | | \$356,036.62 |
| Less borrowed in anticipation of taxes | | 117,351.96 |
| | | \$238,684.66 |
| To be accounted for | | \$238,684.66 |
| | % | |
| Taxes Collected 1975 | 66.88 | \$159,634.47 |
| State of N. H. | 16.53 | 39,476.06 |
| Balance on Hand | 8.38 | 20,011.80 |
| Road Agent | 4.59 | 10,959.76 |
| Town Clerk | 2.67 | 6,382.72 |
| Miscellaneous | .476 | 1,138.00 |
| Selectmen | .452 | 1,081.85 |
| | 100 | \$238,684.66 |



SELECTMEN'S ANALYSIS OF EXPENSES

| | | |
|---|-------|--------------|
| Total Income to Account for | | \$356,036.62 |
| Less - Balance in hands of treasurer 12-31-75 | | 50,066.34 |
| | | \$305,970.28 |
| Total Available Funds | | \$305,970.28 |
| Less - Short Term Notes | | 105,000.00 |
| | | \$200,970.28 |
| | | % |
| School District | 50.41 | \$101,309.69 |
| Roads | 26.72 | 53,695.16 |
| Miscellaneous | 7.34 | 14,567.87 |
| County Tax | 6.30 | 12,651.33 |
| General Government | 3.46 | 6,957.17 |
| Protection of Persons & Property | 3.29 | 6,602.60 |
| Welfare | 1.16 | 2,321.46 |
| Public Service | .94 | 1,895.00 |
| Health | .48 | 970.00 |
| | | \$200,970.28 |
| | | 100 |



DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers Salaries

| | | |
|--|----|-------------------|
| Jessie Wilson, auditor | \$ | 70.00 |
| Judith Gleason, auditor | | 70.00 |
| June Bassett, treasurer | | 229.52 |
| Gerald Stiles, Selectman | | 423.67 |
| Dorothy Davis, town clerk | | 258.91 |
| Wayne Knight, selectman | | 329.52 |
| Robert Bryant, selectman | | 329.52 |
| Dorothy Dadmun, tax collector | | 423.67 |
| Beb'y Stiles, selectman's clerk | | 242.45 |
| William Kennedy, cemetery superintendent | | 47.07 |
| Susan Beno, cemetery superintendent | | 47.07 |
| TOTAL | | <hr/> \$ 2,471.40 |

Town Officers Expense

| | | |
|---|----|-------------------|
| Dues, N.H. City & Town Clerk Assoc. | \$ | 20.00 |
| Brown & Saltmarsh - forms, office supplies etc. | | 154.46 |
| Valley News - legal ads etc. | | 26.31 |
| Postmaster, Grafton | | 172.57 |
| Margo Moran - meeting expen. | | 17.70 |
| Wheeler & Clark - dog tags | | 10.07 |
| Dorothy Dadmun - telephone calls, postage | | 65.93 |
| Country Press - town reports | | 861.00 |
| Betty Stiles - inventory stamps | | 61.20 |
| Waldo Webster - stationery | | 4.50 |
| June Bassett - phone calls | | 40.51 |
| N.H. Tax Collector's Assoc. - dues | | 10.00 |
| Country Print Shop | | 42.25 |
| Dorothy Dadmun - Tax collector's workshop | | 24.40 |
| Gerald Stiles - phone calls | | 11.63 |
| Robert Bryant - assessment course at U.N.H. | | 94.20 |
| Branhan Publishing Co. - reference book | | 10.20 |
| Nat'l. Bank of Lebanon - check book | | 11.73 |
| N.H. Assoc. of Assessing officials - dues | | 10.00 |
| Dorothy Dadmun, tax collector's fees | | 66.90 |
| Dorothy Davis - expenses & auto fees | | 622.74 |
| TOTAL | | <hr/> \$ 2,307.03 |

Election and Registration

| | | |
|--|----|-------|
| Margo Moran, meeting expenses | \$ | 45.59 |
| Valley News, legal advertisement | | 10.18 |
| Joseph Connelly, Supervisor check list | | 46.00 |
| Dorothy Workman, ballot clerk | | 20.00 |
| Betty J. Stiles, ballot clerk | | 40.00 |
| Mary L. Gove, supervisor check list | | 92.00 |

| | | |
|--|-------|------------------|
| Thomas Gleason, moderator | 60.00 | |
| Enterprise Press | 16.80 | |
| Marion G. Nagle, supervisor check list | 54.00 | |
| Louise Gallup, ballot clerk | 40.00 | |
| Granite State Gazette, advertisements | 22.42 | |
| Frank Dean, ballot clerk | 40.00 | |
| Judith Gleason, ballot clerk | 20.00 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 506.99 |

Municipal Court

| | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Dorothy Workman - mort. sale | \$ 133.38 | |
| Registry of Deeds | 5.60 | |
| Public Service | 10.30 | |
| Barbara Forties - services | .50 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 149.78 |

Town Hall and Other Buildings

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Lakeside Oil, fuel | \$ 659.91 | |
| Public Service, elec. | 191.23 | |
| Johnson, lumber | 11.91 | |
| Dulac Bldg. Sup. | 24.60 | |
| Gary Workman, shoveling | 22.00 | |
| John Dadmun, thawing pipes | 16.50 | |
| Davis Oil, stock | 23.00 | |
| John Wilson, supplies | 1.90 | |
| Fogg Hdwre., paint & supplies | 17.08 | |
| Dorothy Dadmun, telephone | 11.37 | |
| Fletcher Paint | 208.25 | |
| Ross Express | 8.55 | |
| Robert Bassett, mowing | 116.00 | |
| James Seamans, electrical work | 19.88 | |
| Grafton Volunteer Fire Dept. | 507.20 | |
| Gerald W. Stiles, supplies | 4.10 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 1,843.48 |

Police

| | | |
|---|--------|--------------------|
| C. Lawrence Gove, use of car, mileage, gas and telephone | 916.00 | |
| Radio repair | 34.00 | |
| Salary | 84.00 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 1,034.00 |

Fire Department, including Forest Fire

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Grafton Volunteer Fire Dept. approp. | \$ 800.00 | |
| C. Lawrence Gove, Forest Fire Warden | 30.00 | |
| Warden's training session | 66.30 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 896.30 |

Vital Statistics

| | | |
|----------------------|-------|--|
| Dorothy Davis, clerk | 16.00 | |
|----------------------|-------|--|



HOURS GARAGE
 JANUARY 1937
 S M T W T F S
 1 5 6 7 8 9
 10 11 12
 13 14 15 16
 17 18 19 20 21
 22 23 24 25 26 27

'SETTLIN' UP THE GRAFTON TOWN BOOKS
 FRANK, 1976

WOOD
 BOY

REPORT

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF GRAFTON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1, 1859.

CONCORD:
LEWIS L. MOWER, PRINTER.
1859.

A C C O U N T S .

We, your Auditors, for the town of Grafton, to examine the prudential affairs of said town, have attended to the same, and now ask leave to report.

We find the amount of taxes raised, including non-resident, highway, and swellage on all of the taxes for the year 1858, to be \$2611.90
 We also find the amount of money in the Collector's hands for the year 1857, not yet applied to the use of the town, to be 354.29
 Which sums added, make the sum total of —————2965.19

We find the money received by the Selectmen to be as follows :

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Rec'd of Stephen George, for the sale of liquor, | 23.98 |
| “ of the County, for the support of paupers, | 31.00 |
| “ of H. D. Barney, liquor agent, inclusive, | 161.00 |
| “ of O. K. Bucklin, liquor agent, inclusive, | 205.00 |
| “ of G. W. Rollins, as collector of taxes, for the years 1851 and 1852, | 9.00 |
| “ of Stephen Fellows, on the Stephen George demand, | 31.26 |
| Which sums being added amount to the sum of | ————— 511.24 |

We find the claims in favor of the town to be as follows :

| | |
|--|--------------|
| A note against E. Parker, as collector for old taxes, | 34.70 |
| A note against G. W. Rollins, as collector for old taxes, | 18.69 |
| A note against J. Whitney, Jr., as collector for old taxes, - | 69.00 |
| An execution against the petitioners on the Tucker road, | 22.07 |
| Due from the county for the support of paupers, | 100.00 |
| Due from Stephen George, it being the balance from the sale of liquors for 1857, | 20.08 |
| Due from the N. R. R. for tax in 1857 & 1858, | 175.08 |
| A note against G. Aldrich, | 26.32 |
| Which sums added amount to the sum of | ————— 465.94 |

We find the property in the hands of the town as follows :

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Liquor and fixtures in the hands of O. K. Bucklin, as liquor agent, | 64.85 |
| Liquor and fixtures in the hands of H. D. Barney, as liquor agent. | 202.00 |
| Stock, Provisions and other fixtures upon the poor farm, as appraised last year, | 432.69 |
| Which several sums added amount to the sum of | <u>699.54</u> |
| Which several sums added amount to the sum of | <u>4641.91</u> |

*We find that the Selectmen for the year 1858, have expended
as follows :*

| | |
|---|--------|
| Paid Richard Cole, for building new highway, | 40.00 |
| “ E. McCollom, order for building town house, | 153.60 |
| “ G. W. Rollins, as auditor for the year 1857, | 6.00 |
| “ Morrill & Silsby, for blanks and books, | 18.14 |
| “ Sarah Chase, for the support of E. Chase, | 71.00 |
| “ Horace Barney, 2d., for stationery, | 2.25 |
| “ “ “ for goods for the poor, | 47.00 |
| “ O. H. Perkins, as auditor for the year 1857, | 6.00 |
| “ N. H. Asylum, for the support of A. Silloway, | 24.24 |
| “ Rollins & Follansbee, for James Buffum, it being for the support of Mr. Smith Rob- erts and wife, in the year 1857, | 15.00 |
| “ Fare and expense to Plymouth, in a pauper case, | 5.15 |
| “ for horse hire to Croydon, | 2.50 |
| “ expense to West Andover, in a pauper case, | .50 |
| “ expense of the Dunham family in Canaan, | 10.00 |
| “ A. K. Little, for road damages, | 12.00 |
| “ W. F. Langly, in part for services as Select- man, | 6.00 |
| “ James Buffum, for the support of Smith Rob- erts and wife, | 10.00 |
| “ C. J. Connor, for liquor, inclusive, | 225.00 |
| “ Welcom Aldrich, a bill for the poor, in 1858, | 10.00 |
| “ D. W. Lawrence, for liquor, | 37.00 |
| “ Rollins & Follansbee, a bill for James Buf- fum, for the support of Smith Roberts, and wife, | 5.00 |
| “ Teachers' Institute, | 10.00 |
| “ Jonathan Bucklin, for work on highway, | 5.50 |
| “ expense on Grafton and Canaan road, | 1.00 |

| | |
|--|---------|
| Paid E. Martin, as Surveyor, | 3.25 |
| “ expense in running a line for the town, | 1.00 |
| “ B. F. Skinner, for medical attendance on the Still family for the year 1857, | 3.00 |
| “ E. A. Boardman, for liquor, | 29.48 |
| “ Hale & Martin, for stationery, | 1.27 |
| “ O. H. Perkins, for work on highway, | 5.50 |
| “ O. K. Bucklin, for services as liquor agent, | 30.00 |
| “ H. D. Barney, for services as liquor agent, | 17.00 |
| “ for checklist, | .50 |
| “ A. Stevens, for expense to Plainfield and one days work on highway, | 3.25 |
| To this add the amount of the stock, provisions and other fixtures upon the poor farm, as ap- praised in 1859, | 497.31 |
| Which several sums added amount to the sum of | 1314.44 |
| To this sum add the amount of orders issued for the year 1858, which amounts to the sum of | 1004.46 |
| Which makes the round sum of | 2318.90 |
| Which sum taken from the amount of property in the Selectmen's hands, leaves a balance in favor of the town, over and above the stock and fix- tures on the poor farm, of | 2323.01 |

We find the demands against the town to be as follows :

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| Note due Cyrus Adams, dated Jan. 13, 1857, | 36.26 |
| “ “ “ “ March 8, 1855, | 1296.47 |
| “ “ “ “ “ 8, 1856, | 100.61 |
| “ “ “ “ Feb. 27, 1858, | 500.64 |
| “ Jeremiah Whitney, date unknown, | 168.93 |
| “ “ “ “ 1848, | 273.95 |
| “ N. W. C. Davis, “ 1855, | 120.22 |
| “ John Barney, dated March 56, 1848, | 203.44 |
| “ “ “ date unknown, | 364.24 |
| “ Welcom Aldrich, dated 1852, | 261.86 |
| “ Aaron Aldrich, dated April 1, 1856, | 276.69 |
| “ “ “ “ 5, 1854, | 170.19 |
| “ Ruth Cole, “ 26, 1856, | 190.55 |
| “ Benjamin Martin, “ July 5, 1856, | 159.49 |
| “ Asa Ford, “ Dec. 18, 1856, | 18.18 |
| “ Benjamin Martin, “ April 3, 1857, | 106.00 |
| “ Aaron Strowbride, dated Oct. 1, 1857, | 376.30 |
| “ Candis Martin, “ “ 22, 1857, | 212.00 |
| “ Tilton Nichols, “ “ 22, 1857, | 106.00 |

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| Note due Martin Davis, | dated Dec. 15, 1857, | 106.00 |
| “ “ “ | “ Jan. 11, 1858, | 148.40 |
| “ Calvin Gage, | “ “ 30, 1858, | 212.00 |
| “ Aaron Strowbridge, | “ Nov. 14, 1857, | 16.96 |
| “ Jeremiah Whitney, | “ Sept. 19, 1857, | 318.00 |
| “ Henry D. Stevens, | “ “ 20, 1857, | 106.00 |
| “ Welcom Aldrich, | “ unknown, | 53.00 |
| “ “ “ | “ “ | 21.20 |
| “ “ “ | “ April 4, 1857, | 22.47 |
| Account due Pike & Barnard, | | 84.80 |
| “ in Boston for liquor, | | 75.00 |
| “ town of Croydon for pauper, | | 25.00 |
| “ town of Columbia “ | | 15.00 |
| “ Welcom Aldrich, for services in carrying on poor farm and rent for the same, | | 225.00 |
| Which added makes the sum of | | 6370.95 |
| From which sum subtract the amount of available prop- erty now in the hands of the town, exclusive of the property now on the poor farm, | | 2323.01 |
| And it leaves a balance against said town of | | 4047.94 |

We find the several Town Officers to be as follows :

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| O. H. Perkins, for services as selectman, | 55.00 |
| W. F. Langley, for services as selectman, | 50.00 |
| A. Stevens, for services as selectman, | 33.00 |
| J. W. Kilton, for services as town clerk, | 7.00 |
| O. H. Perkins, for services as town treasurer, | 4.00 |
| J. Whitney, Jr. for services as collector for 1857 and '58, | 112.11 |
| W. Aldrich, for carrying on the poor farm and for rent of said farm, | 225.00 |
| G. W. Rollins, for services as auditor for 1858, | 7.50 |
| C. Adams, for services as auditor for 1858, | 7.50 |
| J. Cass, for services as auditor for 1858, | 7.50 |
| J. Burden, for services as superintending school commit- tee, estimated, | 35.00 |
| Which sums added amount to the sum of | 543.61 |

We find the Literary Fund belonging to the Town and unexpended, to be as follows :

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| A note against J. R. Dean, date unknown, | 57.12 |
| “ “ Stephen Fellows, dated Jan. 26, 1854, | 52.71 |

We also find remaining in the hands of Stephen Fellows,
of unexpended literary funds for the year 1857, 6.20

Which sums added amount to the sum of 116.03

The cost of the poor for the past year will be shown by the following statement.

We find the amount of stock and provisions as
appraised last year, on the poor farm, to be 376.18
Also, furniture and farming tools, to be 56.51
Sundry bills paid on farm, 292.04
Due W. Aldrich, for carrying on farm and rent
of the same, 225.00
Which several sums amount to the sum of 949.73

We find the property sold off of said farm to be 57.03
Stock and provisions as appraised this year, 440.72
Furniture and farming tools, 56.51
Due from the County for support of paupers, 100.00
Which sums added amount to the sum of 654.33
Which sum taken from the preceeding sum, leaves
the expense of the poor for the last year, to be 295.40

Stock and other Property on Poor Farm.

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| 1 yoke of oxen, | 120.00 |
| 1 " steers, | 50.00 |
| 2 cows, | 50.00 |
| 2 heifers, | 50.00 |
| 19 sheep, | 47.50 |
| 2 shoats, | 18.00 |
| 4 hens. | 1.34 |
| 1 ton hay at M. Bucklin's, | 5.00 |
| 1-3 bbl. flour, | 2.67 |
| 2 1-2 bushels Indian meal, | 2.50 |
| 25 lbs. lard, | 3.75 |
| 2 lbs. saleratus, | .14 |
| 1 1-2 lbs. tea, | .75 |
| 5 lbs. coffee, | .70 |
| 1-2 lb. allspice, | .10 |
| 2 lbs. sugar, | .20 |
| 5 lbs. tobacco, | 1.25 |
| 75 lbs. pork, | 9.00 |
| 1 lb. stocking yarn, | .75 |
| 5 1-2 lbs. rolls, | 2.75 |
| 5 lbs. candles, | .75 |

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| 30 lbs. cheese, | 1.00 |
| 12 lbs. dried pumpkin, | .48 |
| 12 lbs. tallow, | 1.44 |
| 7 lbs. dried apple, | .70 |
| 3 lbs. butter, | .54 |
| 60 lbs. ham, | 9.00 |
| 2 gallons vinegar, | .50 |
| 2 ozs. nutmegs, | .10 |
| 1 bbl. beef, | 14.00 |
| 2 pairs feetings, | .50 |
| 10 gallons molasses, | 3.50 |
| 1-4 bush. salt, | .13 |
| 3 bush. beans, | 5.25 |
| 1-2 bush. rye meal, | .50 |
| 125 " potatoes, | 25.50 |
| 12 " turnips, | 2.00 |
| 17 " oats, | 8.50 |
| Total provisions, stock, &c. | ———— 440.79 |

We also find that the liquor agents for the town the past year have sold 31 bbls. of liquor, and made a profit for the town of 161.00

And to those who yet may have an idea that the report of last year in regard to the sale of liquor was incorrect, when the agents received by freight 67 bbls. and made a profit for the town of only 186.73

We think the result of this year's sale must convince them that the matter was not misrepresented.

And in conclusion, your auditors would say that we were very happy to find the books for the past year in good order, and every thing well vouched for.

All of which we respectfully submit.

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| G. W. ROLLINS, | } <i>Auditors for</i> |
| CYRUS ADAMS, | |
| JESSE CASS, | |

the town
of Grafton.

Grafton Centre, N. H., Feb. 24, 1859.

REPORT
OF THE
FINANCIAL AFFAIRS
OF THE
Town of Grafton,
INCLUDING A REPORT FROM THE
Superintending School Committee,
FOR THE
Year ending March 1, 1876.

EAST CANAAN:
REPORTER PRESS.
1876.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Having examined the Selectmen's books and accounts now submit the following report:—

Cash Received by the Selectmen.

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| Received of the Selectmen for 1875, | \$115 81 |
| “ “ “ of New London, for support of B. S. Fisk, | 7 06 |
| Received from sale of J. Colby's furniture, | 5 17 |
| “ of Town Treasurer, | 1721 05 |
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| Total Received, | \$1849 09 |

Disbursements by the Selectmen.

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| Paid C. O. Barney, printing report 1875, | \$22 00 |
| A. F. Doloff, working for the widow Sulloway, | 3 00 |
| Horace Green, for the support of Peter Green, the town of Alexandria, for the support of Almira F. Sleeper and two children, | 85 00 |
| Lewis W. Fling, cost in the Sleeper case, | 88 91 |
| 30 37 | |
| B. B. Whitney, for the support of Emma Heath and child, | 37 05 |
| S. S. Nurse, for bridge plank, | 17 00 |
| F. H. Messer, boarding Colby, | 57 50 |
| F. H. Messer, goods for Colby, | 7 44 |
| F. H. Messer, watering trough, | 2 00 |
| B. B. Whitney, support of Emma Heath and child, | 50 01 |

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| H. Green, for board and funeral expenses of Peter Green, | 55 00 |
| E. C. Flanders, damage on highway, | 13 00 |
| J. H. Morse, damage on highway, | 4 50 |
| J. B. Page, taking six depositions in pauper cases, | 3 00 |
| Dr. A. B. Hoyt, medical attendance on Mrs. Sleeper, R. Prescott and Mrs. Fisk, | 19 50 |
| E. C. Eastmen, for books and blanks, | 8 21 |
| M. S. Williams, for keeping G. C. Sleeper, | 7 00 |
| Mrs. C. Kimball, making pants for J. Colby, | 1 00 |
| John Caswell, boarding G. C. Sleeper, | 6 00 |
| Ziba Cole, for keeping 14 poor and transient persons, | 9 50 |
| A. F. Doloff, damage to horse on the highway, | 25 00 |
| Dr. A. B. Hoyt, medical attendance on G. C. Sleeper, | 4 25 |
| Susan Cass, for stone for new highway, | 5 00 |
| Byron Fellows, for keeping poor and transient persons, | 4 75 |
| J. E. Martin, poor and transient, | 3 40 |
| Austin Morse, keeping J. Colby, | 16 75 |
| C. S. Heath, labor on highway, | 3 00 |
| Watson Dean, for bridge plank, | 6 52 |
| John Caswell, keeping poor and transient, | 2 50 |
| W. P. Messer, labor on highway, | 3 09 |
| David Gile, damage to wagon, | 2 50 |
| G. H. Sargent, for plank and stringers and work on highway, | 9 30 |
| H. D. Stevens, goods for R. Prescott, | 2 73 |
| L. M. Ford, bridge timber and work on the highway, | 8 00 |
| J. V. Prescott, wood for R. Prescott, | 14 00 |
| J. R. Dean, witness in Whitcomb case, | 3 00 |
| Perry Martin, work on highway, | 3 00 |
| E. C. Eastman, for blank book, | 3 75 |
| A. F. Hoyt, for cutting bushes on the highway, | 9 00 |
| Dr. A. B. Hoyt, medical attendance on Angeline Sleeper, | 10 00 |
| L. D. Williams, watering tub. | 2 00 |

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| J. E. Martin, goods furnished B. & Lovina Fisk, | 8 56 |
| W. C. Atwell, breaking roads in Feb. 1875, | 11 25 |
| “ “ breaking roads in 1875, | 4 42 |
| “ “ labor on highway, | 5 15 |
| Peter Kimball on Whitcomb suit, | 165 00 |
| James Buffum, bridge timber, and work on highway, | 20 82 |
| Lewis Hall, for keeping Sophia Hall, | 35 00 |
| “ “ “ “ “ | 10 00 |
| John R. Smith, bridge plank, | 10 57 |
| H. Green, support of P. Green, | 21 00 |
| H. B. Williams for keeping Almira F. Sleeper and children, | 28 00 |
| Seth B. Barney, goods for R. Prescott, | 9 20 |
| “ “ “ “ “ | 2 13 |
| “ “ support of R. Prescott, | 15 00 |
| “ “ “ “ “ and wife, | 27 50 |
| S. R. Truell, bridge timber and work on highway, | 26 79 |
| Charles Barney, work on highway, | 12 00 |
| Abba Sanders note in full, | 86 96 |
| Helen M. Bullock, house rent for Betsey Heath, | 13 35 |
| H. F. Hall for keeping Mrs. Sophia Hall, | 16 00 |
| Sewell Cole, wood for R. Prescott, | 6 00 |
| Frank H. Sleeper, for keeping Julia Prescott, | 10 00 |
| Cyril Barney, for keeping Julia Prescott, | 6 00 |
| Selectmen of Danbury, expenses and funeral charges of Enoch Prescott, | 47 26 |
| Horace Barney, goods for Lavina Fisk, | 6 65 |
| Albert Tenney, damage received on the highway, | 72 50 |
| J. W. Kilton, goods for Mrs. Fisk, | 7 50 |
| J. E. Martin, goods for Almira Sleeper. | 7 53 |
| “ “ “ J. Colby, | 40 |
| “ “ “ Sophia Hall, | 2 17 |
| “ “ “ Mrs. Fi-k, | 58 |
| “ “ “ poor and transient, | 5 25 |
| “ “ “ goods for R. Prescott. | 35 79 |
| H. O. Rollins, expense on county tax and for blanks, | 2 15 |
| G. L. Stearns, taking care of a transient person, | 1 25 |

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| J. W. Kilton, goods for R. Prescott, | 8 00 |
| “ “ “ Mrs. Heath, | 15 50 |
| “ “ poor and transient, | 4 86 |
| “ “ bridge plank and work on highway, | 38 41 |
| J. E. Martin, expense to Alexandria, two trips in pauper case, | 6 00 |
| J. E. Martin, stationery and stamps, | 1 50 |
| Alvah Stevens expenses in pauper cases, | 11 50 |
| “ “ “ to Alexandria & Grantham, in pauper cases two trips, | 12 00 |
| E. A. Albee, building fence for Widow Sulloway in 1872, 1873 & 1874. | 5 50 |
| Horace Barney for public watering tub, | 3 00 |
| Arthur S. Frazier, services as S. S. Committee 1875, | 35 00 |
| A. S. Frazier, services as Town Clerk 1875, | 10 00 |
| “ “ school notices, | 75 |
| J. W. Kilton, expenses to Haverhill with J. Colby, | 11 80 |
| “ “ “ Danbury and Grantham in pauper cases, | 6 00 |
| Alvah Stevens, services as Selectman, | 95 00 |
| J. W. Kilton, “ “ | 75 50 |
| J. E. Martin, “ “ | 85 00 |
| J. W. Kilton expense to Andover in H. Stevens case, | 2 00 |
| Horace Barney, goods for Roby Prescott, | 5 51 |
| J. W. Kilton, goods for Sophia Hall, | 8 00 |
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| Total paid out, | \$1849 09 |
| Total received by the Selectmen, | \$1849 09 |

Outstanding Claims against the Town.

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| Due the several school districts, one third railroad tax, | \$122 54 |
| Literary Fund, | 98 90 |
| Dog tax, | 42 00 |
| H. O. Rollins, Collector, | 128 00 |
| Estimated outstanding claims, | 200 00 |
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| Which sums added make the sum of | \$591 44 |

Available Means of the Town.

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| Due on Collector's bond for 1872, | \$44 21 |
| " " 1873, | 64 39 |
| " " 1874, | 83 26 |
| " " 1875, | 893 05 |
| Estimated interest due on taxes, | 25 00 |
| Note due from C. Kimball, | 45 21 |
| Due from the County. | 203 76 |
| In Town Treasurer's hands, | 1769 57 |
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| Which sums added make the available means, | \$3128 45 |
| Amount of outstanding claims, | 591 44 |
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| Balance in favor of the town, | \$2537 01 |

The Selectmen inform me that none of the bills in the case of Whitcomb vs. Grafton have been presented, owing no doubt to the illness of Mr. Kimball, the agent, so I can form no estimate as to the expense made the town in said suit.

I find the books correct and all accounts properly vouched for.

JOSEPH B. PAGE, Auditor.

Treasurer's Report.

For the year ending Feb. 26, 1876.

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| Cash received of Horace Barney, Treasurer for 1874, | \$819 30 |
| Cash received of Horace Barney, Treasurer for 1874, being money received of Benjamin Fisk and Calvin Heath, | 11 50 |
| Received of Collector, H. O. Rollins for 1874-5 | 4109 15 |
| “ “ interest on taxes, | 32 85 |
| State Treasurer, savings bank tax, | 599 87 |
| “ “ railroad tax, | 367 64 |
| “ “ Literary Fund, | 98 90 |
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| | \$6039 21 |

Money Paid Out.

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| Paid Selectmen, | \$1721 05 |
| State Tax, | 836 00 |
| County Tax, | 744 15 |
| Several School Districts, | 968 44 |
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| | \$4269 64 |
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| In treasurer's hands Feb. 26, 1876, | \$1769 57 |

JAMES. W. KILTON, Treasurer.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The Superintending School Committee respectfully submits the following report of the schools in Grafton:

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Both summer and winter terms taught by Miss Mary S. George. This school is very small, only nine scholars attending. At the close of the summer term the scholars gave proof of good attention to study. I noticed great improvement in reading. I was not notified at the close of the winter term in season to visit the school and consequently cannot report.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

There was only one term of school in this district, which was taught by Charles A. Heath. I noticed on my visit at the commencement of the school that the teacher was very particular in having the scholars thoroughly understand what they learned. I was not notified of the close of the school and cannot report [the progress made. Mr. H. is a thorough scholar and I doubt not that the scholars made good improvement.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Summer term taught by Miss Ella V. Flanders. Miss Flanders is an inexperienced teacher having taught but one term before this. Her only fault was in trying to make her scholars do too much. Her pupils being young, her zeal for their advancement led her to expect too much of them.

Experience will remedy this. However, good improvement was made in all the branches.

Winter term was taught by George S. Barney, this being his first term. On my first visit to the school the order was not quite so good as I had hoped, but the school was large, composed almost wholly of small pupils. On my second visit I saw that there was a great improvement in order and I found that the pupils had made more improvement in Reading and Grammar than any other school in town during the same length of time.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

There was only one term of school in this district which was taught by A. S. Frazier. This school is very small, only eight scholars attending who belong in the district, which may account for this being the most advanced school in town. Fair progress was made during the term.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Summer term taught by Miss Abbie B. Hardy. The scholars seemed to be making good progress at the time when I visited the school near the commencement of the term. I was not notified at the close of the term consequently did not visit the school a second time.

Winter term taught by William B. Jackson. A lively interest was shown throughout the term by the pupils. More attention was given to principles than to rules as should be in every school. The order was excellent and good progress was made.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Summer, Fall and Winter terms taught by Miss Annie P. Messer. Miss Messer is a first class teacher especially for young pupils. Rapid improvement was made during the terms. The teacher had the good will of the pupils and would, I think, be their first choice for another term.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Both terms taught by Miss Emma C. Young. Miss Y. is a thorough scholar and efficient teacher. The scholars

under her instruction made great proficiency in their studies. This school has quite a number of good scholars and ranks next to District No. 4 in advancement.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Summer term taught by Miss Ella C. Young. The school was quiet and orderly, and the pupils made commendable progress. This was Miss Young's first term and was I think a success.

Winter term taught by Miss Ida J. Gibbs. On my first visit, the school was orderly and seemed to be progressing finely. At the close of the term I visited it a second time and found only four pupils present on account of scarlet fever which was prevalent in that locality and I had no chance to ascertain the improvement made.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

Summer term taught by Miss Hattie I. Elliott. The school was stopped at the close of the fifth week on account of scarlet fever which prevailed in the district. The school was so short but little advancement was made.

Winter term taught by Miss Abbie B. Hardy with her usual good success.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

Both terms taught by Miss Sarah M. Winship. Miss Winship is an experienced teacher having taught for several years. The pupils progressed rapidly under her instruction.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Summer and Fall terms taught by Miss Mary E. Gifford. The school under Miss Gifford's instruction made good improvement during the summer term. The fall term was not quite as successful. In order to make a school a success the teacher must have the hearty co-operation of both pupils and parents.

Winter term taught by A. S. Frazier. Fair progress was made considering the length of the term.

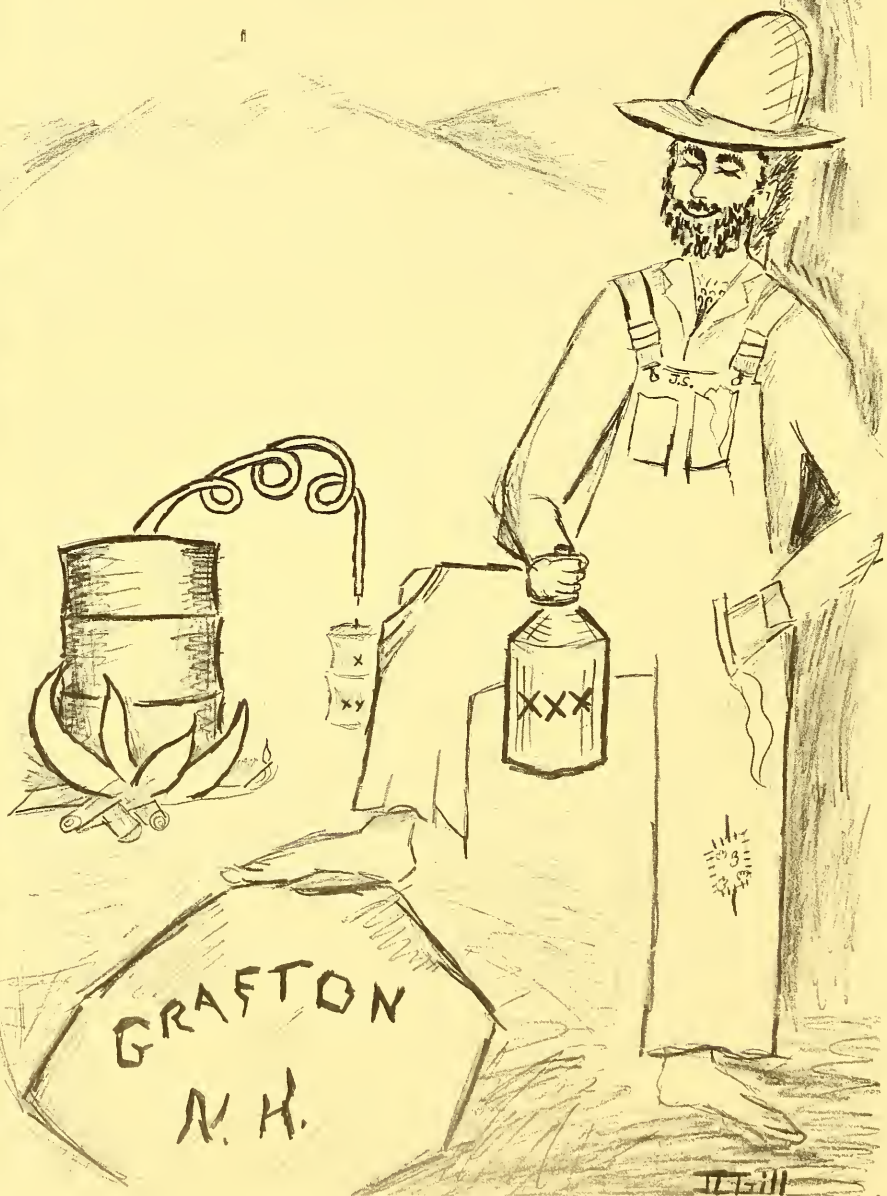
GENERAL REMARKS.

There has been twelve instances during the year, where Prudential Committees have neglected to notify your Committee of the close of schools. Great care should be taken to select men for the office of Prudential Committee, who have a real interest in the cause of common schools. They should be punctual in the discharge of their duty and see that no teacher be allowed to commence a school without first producing the requisite certificate. They should also be prompt in notifying the Superintending School Committee of the commencement and close of their schools. I find we have quite a number of advanced scholars in town, who seem to take a special interest in their studies. The most advanced scholar that has attended school during the year I find to be Albert B. Stevens, sixteen years of age. The two most advanced according to age are Bertha M. Flanders and Jennie S. Bari.

ARTHUR S. FRAZIER, *S. S. Committee.*

Grafton, Feb. 21st, 1876.

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| Insurance | |
| Reginald Barney - Trustee Bond | \$ 236.00 |
| Ambulance insurance | 97.00 |
| Workman's Comp. & liability ins. | 3,067.00 |
| TOTAL | <u> </u> \$ 3,400.00 |
| Civil Defense | |
| Wm. Harding - appropriation | 100.00 |
| Health Department | |
| Mascoma area Health Council | \$ 484.00 |
| Health Officer, C. L. Gove | 20.00 |
| TOTAL | <u> </u> \$ 504.00 |
| Town Dump and Garbage Removal | |
| C. Lawrence Gove, care of dump | 450.00 |
| Street Lighting | |
| Public Service Co. | 1,130.02 |
| Libraries | |
| Appropriation | 685.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | |
| N. H. Dept. of Health & Welfare | 782.82 |
| Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled Persons (APTD) | |
| N. H. Dept. of Health & Welfare | 36.57 |
| Town Poor | |
| IGA, food - case no. 1 | \$ 30.00 |
| Hitchcock Clinic - case no. 2 | 439.00 |
| Mascoma Savings Bk., food stamps - case no. 3 | 284.00 |
| Davis Oil, gas & oil - case no. 3 | 86.20 |
| Needy family, food - case no. 3 | 90.00 |
| Needy family, electricity - case no. 3 | 17.93 |
| Georges A&G, food - case no. 4 | 90.00 |
| Dr. Dinerman, medical - case no. 5 | 8.00 |
| George's A&G, food - case no. 5 | 95.00 |
| Henry Morse, cordwood - case no. 5 | 45.00 |
| N. H. Electric, electricity - case no. 6 | 33.26 |
| IGA, food - case no. 6 | 100.00 |
| Needy family, town aid - case no. 6 | 30.00 |
| Needy family, payroll no. 4 - case no. 6 | 42.18 |
| Davis Oil, oil - case no. 7 | 41.50 |
| IGA, food - case no. 7 | 30.00 |
| First Nat'l Store, food - case no. 7 | 30.00 |
| Gordon's, fod - case no. 7 | 10.00 |
| TOTAL | <u> </u> \$ 1,502.07 |
| Memorial Day and Other Celebrations | |
| Eureka Grange - Hazel Suchy Chairman Old Home Day | 50.00 |
| Parks and Playgrounds | |
| Thomas Gleason - care of Huff Beach | 50.00 |

Cemeteries

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| Kendall H. Stiles | 130.00 | |
| Fred Grudak | 334.00 | |
| Lloyd Hackeman | 460.00 | |
| Michael Gleason | 333.00 | |
| Calvin Lancy | 45.00 | |
| Thomas Gleason | 333.00 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 1,895.00 |
| Ellen Williams, trustee - sale of lots in Pine Grove Cemetery | | 260.00 |

Damages and Legal Expenses

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| DeCato and Cirone, Attorneys | 160.00 |
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Regional Association

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| Upper Valley - Lake Sunapee Council | 317.00 | |
| N. H. Municipal Association, dues | 100.00 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 417.00 |

Taxes Bought by Town

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| To Collector of Taxes 1974 - Tax Sale | 4,797.62 |
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Discounts

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| Dorothy Davis - Auto permit fees 1974 | 11.00 | |
| Robert McLean - Tax abatement | 26.00 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 37.00 |

Land, Buildings and New Equipment

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| Land & Forestry Consultants - Blazing section of Grafton - Orange line | 63.50 |
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Temporary Loans

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| National Bank of Lebanon | 105,000.00 |
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Capital Reserve

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| Trustee of Trust Fund | 1,000.00 |
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Retirement and Social Security

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| N.H. Dept. of Health & Welfare | 2,408.70 |
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Police Radio

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| General Electric | 1,099.00 |
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Interest

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| National Bank of Lebanon | 3,418.16 |
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State - County

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| Department of Revenue - Boat Tax | 3.08 | |
| Wm. Brumage, County Treas. - County Tax | 12,651.33 | |
| State of N.H. Treas. - Bond & Debt Tax | 503.95 | |
| Town Road Aid - appropriation | 1,156.64 | |
| TOTAL | | \$14,315.00 |

Federal Withholding

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| Nat'l Bk. of Lebanon - '74 w/h Taxes | 1,445.86 |
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School

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| Supervisory Union No. 32 | 101,309.69 |
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TOWN HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

Receipts

| | | |
|--|-------------|--|
| General Highway Appropriation | \$ 8,000.00 | |
| Summer and Winter Roads | 15,000.00 | |
| Culverts | 2,000.00 | |
| Oil and Patching | 2,000.00 | |
| Cutting Brush & Trees | 1,000.00 | |
| Gas tax refund | 294.75 | |
| Paul Gove - Gravel | 8.00 | |
| Duncan Fund | 14,401.91 | |
| Highway Subsidy | 13,512.14 | |
| Town Road Aid (TRA) | 1,997.30 | |
| Town Road Aid (paid by State 7,710.97) | | |
| Land Vest | 10,941.76 | |
| Ruggles Mine | 168.75 | |
| Myrl Phelps - rental of Road Scraper | 10.00 | |
| TOTAL | \$69,334.61 | |

Expenses

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|--|
| General Highway | 8,496.59 | |
| Summer and Winter Roads | 11,028.00 | |
| Culverts | 1,140.00 | |
| Oil & Patching | 74.90 | |
| Cutting Brush & Trees | 73.30 | |
| Duncan Fund | 7,424.38 | |
| Highway Subsidy | 12,310.88 | |
| Town Road Aid (TRA) | 1,340.84 | |
| Town Road Aid (paid by St. 7,710.97) | | |
| Land Vest | 8,592.91 | |
| TOTAL | \$50,481.80 | |
| Unexpended Balance | \$18,852.81 | |

Winter Roads

| | | |
|--|-------------|--|
| John Basset's | \$ 1,432.77 | |
| Michael Souza | 799.65 | |
| Douglas Dimond | 745.44 | |
| David Bocash | 694.13 | |
| Vincent McDow - use of loader | 438.00 | |
| Michael Souza - snow plowing, use of truck | | |
| Whitehall Chemical Corp, salt additive | 712.25 | |
| Austin Farewell, plowing Rt. 4A | 255.50 | |
| Grafton Garage, gas | 21.34 | |
| S.S. and Fed. w/h | 935.09 | |
| Total | \$ 6,146.67 | |

Summer Roads

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| John Bassett | 742.35 |
| Douglas Dimond | 416.30 |
| David Bocash | 462.37 |
| George Belloir | 523.71 |
| Wayne Mavicki, gravel | 40.40 |
| Texaco, gas | 1,028.37 |
| Hammond, bridge planking | 1,211.04 |
| Fed. w/h Tax & S.S. | 456.79 |
| TOTAL | <hr/> \$ 4,881.33 |

General Highway Expenses

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| C. R. McLoud, parts, supplies | 668.00 |
| Lakeside Oil Co., oil | 23.95 |
| St. Johnsbury Trucking Co., shipping | 17.05 |
| Texaco Co., gas | 1,877.59 |
| Webster Motors, parts | 574.87 |
| Oxy-Welding Supply, welding supplies | 58.99 |
| Ray Decato, drive shaft repairs | 151.00 |
| Grafton Garage, gas & oil, parts | 743.64 |
| Gordon's Store, supplies | 31.43 |
| Hathorn's, parts | 714.15 |
| Dr. Dinerman - Rx for M. Souza | 17.00 |
| Kibbey Equipment, parts | 605.53 |
| Barrett Equipment, parts | 5.82 |
| Kelton Motors, parts | 8.00 |
| Davis Oil, fuel | 127.03 |
| Lubrication Engineers, Inc., grease | 212.26 |
| Hazelton Co., Inc., parts | 1,153.52 |
| Gulf Oil Corp., fuel | 295.54 |
| Yankee, GMC, Inc. parts | 138.59 |
| McDow & Son Salvage, parts | 168.00 |
| Ross Express, freight | 10.30 |
| Panbro Sales, supplies | 587.33 |
| W. C. Eaton, Inc., oil | 85.43 |
| Public Service | 114.48 |
| John Bassett, brake fluid and parts | 72.01 |
| TOTAL | <hr/> \$ 8,496.69 |

Duncan Fund

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|----------------------------------|----------|
| John Bassett | 1,033.04 |
| Douglas Dimond | 584.82 |
| David Bocash | 711.81 |
| Roger Remacle, use of log loader | 345.00 |
| Myrl Phelps, rental of back hoe | 435.50 |
| Ray Prince, stock & dozer rental | 1,205.75 |

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| Davis Oil, diesel no. 2 | 150.23 | |
| Vincent McDow, use of loader | 50.00 | |
| L. Hardy, 100 bales of hay | 100.00 | |
| Alvin Currier, truck | 81.00 | |
| C. Dennis Mathews, truck | 81.00 | |
| Alpheus Woodward, truck | 81.00 | |
| Paul Jurta, Jr., truck | 81.00 | |
| Robt. Ramsey | 83.70 | |
| Wm. Simpson | 37.20 | |
| John Jurta, Jr., loader | 193.50 | |
| N. H. Dept. Public Works - TRA overdraft | 1,710.75 | |
| S. S. & Fed. w/h | 459.08 | |
| S.S. liability | 64.87 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 7,489.25 |

Highway Subsidy

| | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| John Bassett | 3,039.24 | |
| Douglas Dimond | 1,586.34 | |
| David Bocash | 1,842.67 | |
| Michael Souza | 983.39 | |
| John Bassett, use of scout | 87.50 | |
| Ray Prince, dozer | 248.60 | |
| Hathorn's, parts | 408.64 | |
| Wild Meadow Auto Body, repairs | 125.00 | |
| Wilson Tire Co. | 428.60 | |
| Myrl Phelps & Sons, backhoe | 143.00 | |
| Bailey Brothers, supplies | 33.08 | |
| McCloud's, parts | 106.45 | |
| Mildred Braley, sawing logs | 333.35 | |
| Anthony Usanis, gravel | 1,184.10 | |
| Charles Trumpetto, gravel | 427.20 | |
| S.S. & Fed. w/h | 1,333.72 | |
| S.S. & Fed. w/h liability | 424.69 | |
| TOTAL | | \$12,735.57 |

Town Road Aid

| | | |
|----------------|--------|--------------------|
| John Bassett | 650.29 | |
| Douglas Dimond | 320.19 | |
| David Bocash | 233.36 | |
| Fed. w/h Taxes | 137.00 | |
| S.S. liability | 62.61 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 1,403.45 |

Cutting Brush

| | | |
|----------------|-------|-----------------|
| Douglas Dimond | 28.50 | |
| David Bocash | 44.80 | |
| TOTAL | | \$ 73.30 |

Culverts

Northeastern Culvert Corp., culverts 1,140.00

Oil & Patching

Blaktop, Inc., cold patch 74.90

Land Vest Roads

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|
| John Bassett | 1,508.81 | |
| Douglas Dimond | 366.03 | |
| David Bocash | 319.22 | |
| George Belloir | 156.37 | |
| Ray Prince, dozer | 910.00 | |
| John Jurta, loader | 935.25 | |
| Alvin Currier, truck | 407.25 | |
| C. Dennis Mathews, truck | 391.50 | |
| Wm. Simpson, truck | 409.20 | |
| A. Woodward, truck | 396.00 | |
| Paul Jurta, Jr., truck | 396.00 | |
| Robt. Ramsey, truck | 409.20 | |
| W. J. Smith, gravel | 1,876.00 | |
| S.S. & Fed. w/h | 355.08 | |
| S.S. liability | 10.75 | |
| TOTAL | <hr/> | \$ 8,603.66 |

Road Agents Report

1975 was a fine year for the Highway Dist. T.R.A. was completed to Harry Beggs place on Prescott Hill. The Dept. did a road job for Land Vest Inc., and re-opened over four thousand feet of road on Cherry Hill.

In October the town accepted a man under the Federal Man Power Act, wages being paid by the government.

We hope we have done some work during the past year that pleased everyone sometime.

JOHN BASSETT
Road Agent

ROAD AGENTS REPORT - CHERRY HILL ROAD

Paid for by Land Vest Inc.

| Labor | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| John Bassett | \$ 740.66 |
| Douglas Dimond | 442.50 |
| David Bocash | 382.60 |
| Ray Prince, bulldozer | 910.00 |
| John Jurta Jr., loader | 935.25 |
| Alvin Currier, truck | 396.00 |
| Alvin Currier, truck & trailer | 11.25 |
| C. Denis Matthews, truck | 391.50 |
| William Simpson, truck | 409.20 |
| Alpheus Woodward, truck | 396.00 |
| Paul Jurta, Jr., truck | 396.00 |
| Robert Ramsey, truck | 409.20 |
| Walton J. Smith, gravel | 1,876.00 |
| John Bassett, bulldozer | 618.75 |
| Culverts | 1,558.25 |
| Town Equipment Earnings | |
| Chain Saws | 180.25 |
| Trucks | 614.30 |
| Loader | 273.90 |
| TOTAL COST OF ROAD | \$10,941.61 |

JOHN BASSETT (for selectmen)

CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

In the latter part of 1975 the selectmen called and asked me to take over the duties of caretaker of cemeteries. I accepted this opportunity. In their discussion they informed me of the large increase in maintenance of the above office in the 2 previous years. They asked that I try to hold the line on this matter, and gave me full authority and their backing on whatever changes I made.

WILLIAM KENNEDY

1975 REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS
January 1, 1976

During 1975 the trustees substantially expanded use of the Kilton Doctor's Fund as well as reinvesting funds to realize a higher interest income for future use. Other trust funds were expended at approximately the same rate as in previous years.

On 1 January 1975 the program was begun to reimburse each qualifying town resident \$10 toward physical, dental, or eye examinations, utilizing interest from the Doctor's Fund. The trustees paid out \$1,025.00 to 103 people who had submitted receipted bills for such examinations.

Town residents have expressed approval of this program and the trustees are continuing it in 1976, hoping that a larger number will participate. Those with two years' residence are urged to bring receipted medical exam bills and any questions to a trustee at the Town Hall the second Friday of each month from 7 to 8 p.m. The program cannot be effectively administered by mail or telephone. A midyear reminder of the program also helped the trustees make a partial survey of residents' health insurance coverage for possible future programs.

The other major utilization of the Doctor's Fund was the provision of \$2,409.00 for medical and radio equipment to help the Town of Grafton's first ambulance complete state certification requirements. The ambulance was acquired, restored to effective use, and manned with qualified personnel by the hard work of the Volunteer Fire Department with broad and active support from the townspeople. The trustees believe that the emergency service and transportation to medical care that the ambulance provides are consistent with the intent of the Fund.

DALE P. BRYANT - 1976
ADOLPH SUCHY - 1977
EMILY B. CONNELLY - 1978

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUND

| Date of Creation | Name of Trust Fund | Purpose | How Invested | Beginning Principal Year | Beginning Balance Year | During Income Year | During Expended Year | End Balance Year |
|------------------|------------------------|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1918 | Hiram W. Hardy | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 67.39 | 7.58 | 4.00 | 70.97 |
| 1919 | E. Gratton Cemetery | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 235.50 | 72.22 | 13.95 | 10.00 | 76.17 |
| 1919 | J. E. Martin | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 127.64 | 14.87 | 8.00 | 134.51 |
| 1919 | Henry Stevens | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 500.00 | 230.86 | 33.15 | 20.00 | 244.01 |
| 1919 | Candace Cook | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 75.00 | 52.34 | 5.78 | 3.00 | 55.12 |
| 1919 | Estell Axtell | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 38.33 | 4.00 | 2.00 | 40.33 |
| 1919 | Nason Cass | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 150.00 | 105.72 | 11.60 | 6.00 | 41.32 |
| 1919 | Agusta Barney | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 38.23 | 4.00 | 2.00 | 40.23 |
| 1919 | Mary A. Smith | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 41.09 | 4.13 | 2.00 | 43.22 |
| 1919 | Ann M. Hoyt | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 65.62 | 7.52 | 4.00 | 69.14 |
| 1920 | Jane K. Lawrence | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 500.00 | 323.63 | 37.35 | 20.00 | 340.98 |
| 1920 | Nathan Severance | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 44.35 | 4.27 | 2.00 | 46.62 |
| 1923 | Frank D. Currier No. 1 | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 168.38 | 16.70 | 8.00 | 177.08 |
| 1923 | Frank D. Currier No. 2 | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 123.85 | 14.70 | 8.00 | 130.55 |
| 1925 | George H. Cole | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 46.22 | 4.37 | 2.00 | 48.59 |
| 1925 | A. F. Hoyt | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 95.45 | 8.86 | 4.00 | 100.31 |
| 1927 | Ella J. Smith | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 143.89 | 15.60 | 2.00 | 157.49 |
| 1927 | George J. Whitney | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 45.05 | 4.31 | 2.00 | 47.36 |
| 1929 | Edward C. Dimond | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 45.92 | 4.35 | 2.00 | 48.27 |
| 1932 | Johnathan Severance | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 72.20 | 7.82 | 4.00 | 76.02 |
| 1933 | Volana Kilton | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 133.52 | 15.13 | 8.00 | 140.65 |
| 1933 | Mary E. Gifford | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 46.36 | 4.37 | 2.00 | 48.73 |
| 1934 | Almon H. Basney | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 700.00 | 270.54 | 44.00 | 28.00 | 286.54 |
| 1934 | Susan St. Armand | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 175.00 | 93.16 | 12.16 | 7.00 | 98.32 |
| 1935 | H. L. Powell | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 58.23 | 7.18 | 4.00 | 61.41 |
| 1936 | Clara E. Johnson | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 112.17 | 14.16 | 8.00 | 118.33 |
| 1936 | Emeline Davis | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 129.44 | 14.93 | 8.00 | 136.37 |
| 1945 | George A. Bucklin | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 71.34 | 13.01 | 4.00 | 80.55 |

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|------|---|-------------------|--------------------|----------|--------|--------|-------|----------|
| 1948 | Ichabod Sargent | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 150.00 | 77.40 | 10.31 | 6.00 | 81.71 |
| 1948 | Alfred Martin | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 70.28 | 7.72 | 4.00 | 74.00 |
| 1950 | Sam & Caroline Barney | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 117.80 | 14.41 | 8.00 | 124.21 |
| 1950 | Alpheus A. Howe | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 71.31 | 7.77 | 4.00 | 75.08 |
| 1950 | George & Ethel Aldrich | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 68.43 | 7.65 | 4.00 | 72.08 |
| 1951 | Rufus H. Hill | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 66.70 | 7.55 | 4.00 | 70.25 |
| 1951 | Wisemen Truell | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 49.46 | 4.51 | 2.00 | 51.97 |
| 1951 | Henry Truell | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 50.00 | 49.46 | 4.51 | 2.00 | 51.97 |
| 1953 | Harland & Grover Barney | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 250.00 | 131.25 | 17.29 | 10.00 | 138.54 |
| 1953 | Charles & Ethel Cheaney | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 115.01 | 14.29 | 8.00 | 121.30 |
| 1957 | Jarvis Barney | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 150.00 | 65.62 | 9.78 | 6.00 | 69.40 |
| 1957 | Raymond & Walter Pendleton | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 250.00 | 163.70 | 18.77 | 10.00 | 172.47 |
| 1957 | Francis Carpenter | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 250.00 | 163.97 | 18.78 | 10.00 | 172.75 |
| 1960 | Archie E. Seamans | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 69.93 | 7.72 | 4.00 | 73.65 |
| 1962 | James B. Bullock | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 67.66 | 7.62 | 4.00 | 71.28 |
| 1962 | Alden H. Barney | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 112.45 | 14.18 | 8.00 | 118.63 |
| 1962 | Charles Morrill | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 58.04 | 7.17 | 4.00 | 61.21 |
| 1963 | Andrew B. Runyan | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 64.69 | 7.48 | 4.00 | 68.17 |
| 1963 | Leston E. Gray | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 150.00 | 79.12 | 10.40 | 6.00 | 83.52 |
| 1964 | James B. Powers | E. Grafton Center | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 87.41 | 13.03 | 8.00 | 92.44 |
| 1964 | James B. Powers | E. Grafton Center | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 91.75 | 13.23 | 8.00 | 96.98 |
| 1964 | George N. Ford | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 91.75 | 13.23 | 8.00 | 96.98 |
| 1964 | Erta C. Putney | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 54.94 | 7.02 | 4.00 | 57.96 |
| 1964 | Elwood & Gertrude Brewster | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 65.58 | 7.52 | 4.00 | 69.10 |
| 1968 | Nelson & Gertrude Hogue | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 42.77 | 11.00 | 8.00 | 45.77 |
| 1969 | Stella M. Davis | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 500.00 | 111.40 | 27.73 | 20.00 | 119.13 |
| 1969 | Liston & Howard Westcott | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 21.40 | 5.50 | 4.00 | 22.90 |
| 1970 | Capital Reserve Fund | Cemetery | | | | | | |
| | Town of Grafton for purchase of hgy. equip. | | | 6,000.00 | 818.81 | 400.37 | | 1,219.18 |
| 1970 | Sydney Frazier | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 16.37 | 5.28 | 4.00 | 17.65 |
| 1970 | Guy & Evan Haskins | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 100.00 | 16.37 | 5.28 | 4.00 | 17.65 |
| 1971 | Fred & Nancy Baker | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 22.66 | 10.10 | 8.00 | 24.76 |
| 1971 | Wm. Armstrong & Harold Cole | Pine Grove | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 21.57 | 10.04 | 8.00 | 23.61 |
| 1972 | Edward & Hattie Barney | Pine Grove | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 16.06 | 9.80 | 8.00 | 17.86 |

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|------|---|-------------------|-------------------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1938 | Eulalia J. Martin | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 77.37 | 8.02 | 4.00 | 81.39 |
| 1942 | Ethel Hanson | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 50.00 | 40.71 | 4.07 | 2.00 | 42.78 |
| 1942 | John Valia | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 61.48 | 7.30 | 4.00 | 64.78 |
| 1943 | John R. Sargent | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 50.00 | 37.84 | 3.97 | 2.00 | 39.81 |
| 1943 | Geo. S. & Cora M. & Dr. J. Sarah Barney | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 150.00 | 88.74 | 10.80 | 6.00 | 93.54 |
| 1943 | Charles P. Sargent | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 50.00 | 32.26 | 3.69 | 2.00 | 33.95 |
| 1943 | George L. Hall | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 200.00 | 135.02 | 15.18 | 8.00 | 142.20 |
| 1944 | Alice M. Dodge | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 61.06 | 7.28 | 4.00 | 64.34 |
| 1944 | Agustus G. Russell | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 63.81 | 7.40 | 4.00 | 67.21 |
| 1945 | Mina Bullock Stevens | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 61.48 | 7.30 | 2.00 | 66.78 |
| 1946 | Alvin C. Dean | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 67.29 | 7.57 | 4.00 | 70.86 |
| 1946 | H. Alva Stevens | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 300.00 | 197.59 | 22.55 | 12.00 | 208.14 |
| 1947 | William Haskins | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 74.70 | 7.90 | 4.00 | 78.60 |
| 1946 | Barney & Flanders | Library | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 2,000.00 | 267.18 | 145.07 | 250.00 | 162.25 |
| 1946 | George S. Sanders | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 500.00 | 390.84 | 40.37 | 20.00 | 411.21 |
| 1946 | George M. Flanders | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 62.86 | 7.35 | 4.00 | 66.21 |
| 1946 | Gilford & Nancy Underhill | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bank | 300.00 | 192.54 | 22.33 | 12.00 | 202.87 |
| 1949 | George H. Pierce | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 50.00 | 36.83 | 3.93 | 2.00 | 38.76 |
| 1949 | Jeremiah & Mary Whitney | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 64.29 | 7.43 | 2.00 | 69.72 |
| 1949 | Fred C. Davis | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 70.61 | 7.71 | 4.00 | 74.32 |
| 1950 | Fred W. Barney | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 1,000.00 | 812.33 | 82.17 | 40.00 | 854.50 |
| 1950 | Alfred & Mary Sleeper | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 200.00 | 137.69 | 15.29 | 8.00 | 144.98 |
| 1957 | Carl H. Howe | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 73.69 | 7.86 | 4.00 | 77.55 |
| 1952 | Jacob Blaauw | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 168.86 | 74.23 | 11.00 | 2.50 | 82.73 |
| 1952 | Flora & Edwin L. Sargent | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 200.00 | 146.39 | 15.68 | 8.00 | 154.07 |
| 1954 | Gage & Bucklin | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 200.00 | 137.00 | 15.27 | 8.00 | 144.27 |
| 1955 | Robert & Eva Heath | Cemetery | Merrimack Co. Sav. Bk. | 100.00 | 77.38 | 8.02 | 4.00 | 81.40 |
| 1953 | Walter G. Valia | Cemetery | Amoskeag Sav. Bk. | 1,000.00 | 727.51 | 86.52 | 40.00 | 774.03 |
| 1957 | Walter & Lizzie J. Braley | Cemetery | Amoskeag Sav. Bk. | 200.00 | 138.78 | 16.97 | 8.00 | 147.75 |
| 1900 | Mariah E. Martin | E. Grafton Church | Manchester Sav. Bk. | 563.65 | 37.20 | 30.74 | 22.54 | 45.40 |
| 1964 | Frank & Lula Dean | Cemetery | Franklin Sav. Bk. | 200.00 | 130.44 | 15.00 | 8.00 | 137.44 |
| 1974 | R. A. Ford & H. M. Valia | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 300.00 | 4.03 | 13.79 | 12.00 | 5.82 |
| 1974 | Frank & Mary Bennett | Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 200.00 | 2.68 | 9.19 | 8.00 | 3.87 |

| 1974 | Roswell Gage, John Coswell & Eben Gove | Cemetery Cemetery | N. H. Savings Bank | 300.00 | .99 | 13.65 | 12.00 | 2.64 |
|------|---|----------------------|----------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| | | | TOTALS | 3,063.65 | 10,589.10 | 1,775.26 | 925.04 | 11,439.32 |
| 1934 | Volana E. Kilton | Doctor | N. H. Sav. - Cert. of Dep. | 5,000.00 | 10,902.21 | 1,097.64 | 1,097.64 | 10,902.21 |
| 1934 | Volana E. Kilton | Doctor | Merrimack Co. Sav. - C.D. | 5,000.00 | 10,939.38 | 1,100.16 | 1,100.16 | 10,939.38 |
| 1934 | Volana E. Kilton | Doctor | Concord Sav. - C.D. | 5,000.00 | 10,314.33 | 1,057.55 | 1,057.05 | 10,314.33 |
| 1934 | Volana E. Kilton from Franklin Savings Bk. | Doctor | Dart. Sav. - C.D. | 5,000.00 | 11,447.84 | | | 11,447.84 |
| 1934 | Volana E. Kilton from Amoskeag Sav. Bk. | Doctor | Mascoma Sav. Bk. | 5,000.00 | 11,000.26 | | | 11,000.26 |
| | Nat'l. Bank of Leb, NOW Acc't. | Doctor | NOW Account | 1,793.99 | | 30.02 | 749.16 | 1,813.78 |
| | Close out Franklin Sav. Acc't. | | | | | 78.67 | | |
| | Close out Amoskeag Sav. Acc't. | | | | | 660.26 | | |
| 1961 | Pine Grove | Cemetery | TOTALS NOW Acc't. | 1,793.99 | | 4,023.80 | 4,004.01 | 1,813.78 |
| | | | N. H. Sav. Bk. - C.D. | 2,500.00 | 309.38 | 283.28 | 25.00 | 567.66 |

**REPORT OF TOWN AUDIT
TOWN OF GRAFTON, N. H.
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1975
REVENUE SHARING FUND**

Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Fund Balance.

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------------|
| Available Funds, January 1, 1975 | | \$.00 |
| Add Revenue: | | |
| Entitlement Payments | \$1,977.00 | |
| Interest | 23.36 | |
| | 2,000.36 | |
| TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS | | \$2,000.36 |
| Less: Encumbrances (Appropriations Authorized December 31, 1975 | | |
| Taxmapping | 2,000.36 | |
| | \$2,000.36 | |
| Available Unobligated Funds - Dec. 31, 1975 | | \$.00 |

We have examined the accounts and records of the Revenue Sharing Fund of the Town of Grafton, N. H. for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975.

In our opinion, the above Statement of Revenue, Appropriations, Encumbrances, and Available Unobligated Funds presents fairly the revenue, expenditures and encumbrances incurred, and status of Revenue Sharing Funds of the Town of Grafton, N. H. for the year ended December 31, 1975.

Date: 2-9-76

Signed
JESSIE MAE WILSON
WILIAM KENNEDY
Auditors, Town of Grafton, N. H.

GRAFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

July 1975 a gift of \$50.00 was presented to Grafton Public Library from Arabelle Haskins Tucker for the purchase of books in the memory of Ethel Frazier Haskins.

The Library Trustees wish to thank Ruth Leonard and in appreciation of the many hours she spent in her barn by the Village Green in Grafton Center in selling old books and magazines. Proceeds totaling over \$3,000.00 from 1970 - 1975.

MARION NAGLE
MARY GOVE
JOSEPH CONNELLY

GRAFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Trustee Report

Expenditures:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Ruth Harding, Librarian | \$ 360.95 | |
| Lakeside Oil Co. | 225.22 | |
| Public Service of N. H. | 51.91 | |
| Stanley Phillips, Janitor | 59.10 | |
| Books | 432.30 | |
| Magazines | 60.80 | |
| Josten's Library Supplies | 34.15 | |
| Donald Fowler | 103.55 | |
| Leslie Seamans | 20.00 | |
| Frank Dean | 12.00 | |
| Jim Seamans | 13.08 | |
| Mary Gove Supplies | 4.90 | |
| Nat. Bank of Leb. Service Charge | 8.09 | |
| N. H. Dept. Health & Welfare S. S. | 43.78 | |
| Braley Lumber Co. | 29.10 | |
| Marion G. Nagle - Postage Stamps | 2.50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,461.43 |

Receipts:

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1975 | \$ 564.86 | |
| Dividends White River Nat. Bank | 521.25 | |
| Old Books Sold | 120.50 | |
| Money from Town | 685.00 | |
| Interest Nat. Bank of Lebanon | 8.65 | |
| Emiley Connelly | 8.35 | |
| Mascoma Savings Bank | 59.60 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,968.21 |

Less Expenditures 1,461.43

Cash Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1975 \$ 506.78
Mascoma Savings Bank - \$3,064.87

Respectfully Submitted
MARION G. NAGLE
Treasurer Library Trustee

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

Upon the recommendation of town selectmen and city councils, the Division of Forests and Lands appoints a forest fire warden and several deputy forest fire wardens in each town and city every three years. The town or city warden is responsible for maintaining a force of men and adequate equipment to suppress any wildfire that occurs in his town or city during his term of appointment. The fire warden must authorize all open burning when the ground is not covered with snow. No open fires can be authorized between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., unless it is raining, without the additional permission of the state district fire chief.

Any person wishing to kindle an open fire when the ground is not covered with snow must first obtain the written permission of the forest fire warden. Camp and cooking fires also require the warden's permission.

The Division of Forest and Lands, through its Forest Fire Service, assists all cities and towns in meeting these requirements by training the warden and deputy forces in wildfire suppression tactics, making hand tool suppression equipment available at fifty percent of cost, supplying pieces of Federal excess property for use as fire attack vehicles and sharing up to fifty percent of the cost of wildfire suppression costs.

Wildfire prevention is also a joint state, city or town program. Smokey Bear is available from the Forest Fire Service for local fire prevention programs. Posters and Junior Ranger kits are available for distribution by local fire departments upon request to the Forest Fire Service. Each forest fire warden is expected to carry on a continuous wildfire prevention program within his town or city.

1975 Forest Fire Statistics

| | No. of Fires | No. of Acres |
|----------|--------------|--------------|
| State | 718 | 800 |
| District | 62 | 91.1 |
| Town | 0 | 0 |

GERALD S. GROSS
District Fire Chief

C. LAWRENCE GOVE
Forest Fire Warden

GRAFTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department would like to report that during the year there were 2 house fires, 3 chimney, 1 garage, 1 over-heated clothes dryer, and 2 fires caused by an over-heated stove pipe damaging the ceiling of one home.

New equipment purchased:

- 2 Scott Air Packs
- 6 coats
- 6 helmets with face shields
- 6 pairs boots
- 500 feet of 1½" hose
- 3 - 1½" nozzles

I would like to thank all the firefighters that participated this past year at our practices.

The Fire Department would also like to thank the Firemen's Auxiliary for everything they have done to help raise money to buy some of our new equipment.

PAUL C. GOVE, Chief

GRAFTON VOL. FIRE DEPARTMENT

| | |
|--|------------|
| Lebanon Checking Account | \$2,034.75 |
| Concord Savings Account | 201.35 |
| Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1975 | 2,236.10 |
| Receipts for 1975: | |
| Received from town of Grafton | 800.00 |
| Other receipts from ticket sales & donations | 1,663.85 |
| Total received in 1975 | 2,463.85 |
| Expenditures for 1975: | |
| Two Scott Air Packs | 730.00 |
| 500 feet of 1½" hose and nozzle | 626.67 |
| Six complete outfits of Turmont Gear | 928.37 |
| Other expenditures for fuel, electricity, maintenance and supplies | 1,279.48 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR 1975: | \$3,564.52 |
| Balance Lebanon Checking Account | 2,034.75 |
| Receipts Lebanon Checking Account | 2,463.85 |
| Total of Balance and Receipts | 4,498.60 |
| Less total expenditures | 3,564.52 |
| Balance of Lebanon Checking Account, Dec. 31, 1975 | 934.08 |
| Balance Concord Savings Account | 201.35 |
| Interest Concord Savings Account | 11.65 |
| Balance of Concord Savings Account, Dec. 31, 1975 | 213.00 |
| TOTAL BALANCE, Dec. 31, 1975 | \$1,147.08 |

JAMES S. SEAMANS
Treasurer

Police Report

The following is a list of some of the work of the Police Department:

| | |
|---|----|
| Breaking and Entering | 14 |
| Auto Accidents | 8 |
| Ambulance Assistance | 3 |
| Out of Town Assisstance | 2 |
| D.W.I. | 1 |
| Court Convictions | 3 |
| Complaints | 14 |
| Lost articles found and returned | 4 |
| Missing persons reported and found | 6 |
| Vandalism | 5 |
| Complaints of Mini Bikes, Snowmobiles and stray dogs. | |

Patrolling and checking of houses, of which meant many miles and hours put in.

Also have the Portable Radio that was received this past year.

C. LAWRENCE GOVE
Chief of Police

AMBULANCE SERVICE

Free to the People of Grafton

The Ambulance is available for any Medical Emergency.

There are 9 people who are trained as EMT's (Emergency Medical Technicians), which included 150 hours of classes and there are 12 people who are trained as Advanced First Aiders, which included 60 hours of classes.

There were 14 trips made during the period of September 14, 1975 through December 31, 1975.

The ambulance is funded by donations and the Kilton Fund:

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Money from Donations amounted to | \$ 689.99 |
| Money from Kilton Fund amounted to | 2,375.00 |

Numbers to call for the ambulance are as follows:

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Post Office (Day or Night) | 523-4486 |
| Joe Maynard (Capt.) | 523-7115 |
| Sue Seamans (Lt.) | 523-4486 |
| Ed Doten (Lt.) | 523-4235 |
| William Harding | 523-7172 |

DEBORAH P. HAZELTON

Secretary of Ambulance Crew

ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANIES

| | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Granite State Electric Co. | 4,000.00 | |
| N. H. Electric Cooperative, Inc. | 23,000.00 | |
| Public Service Co. of N. H. | 46,900.00 | |
| TOTAL | | 73,900.00 |
| Number of Inventories Dist. 25 & 27 Mar. 1976 | | 665 |
| Number of Inventories Received: | | |
| Resident | 152 | |
| Non-Residents | 302 | |
| TOTAL | | 452 |

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This certifies that we have examined the accounts of the Selectman, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Library Trustees, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Revenue Sharing, Fire Department Accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched to the best of our knowledge.

JESSIE MAE WILSON

WILLIAM KENNEDY

Auditors 2-9-76

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD
March 1975 - February 1976

Definition of a Planning Board Member

A Planning Board Member should be a civic-minded, thoughtful person who voluntarily gives time to the Town to plan for orderly growth, maintenance of lower taxes, and higher standard of living for all townspeople; further, to form ordinances and regulations to help prevent infringement on any townspeople's rights by any other individual or group. Such a member of the Planning Board also acts as an advisor, passing on ideas of the townspeople to the Board of Selectmen.

The Planning Board feels that it had a very cohesive group and a most productive year. Among its various projects were the following:

1. Preparation of the Master Plan, done with the help of the Upper Valley Planning & Development Council (UVPDC).

2. The planning and drafting of an updated map of the Town by the UVPDC.

3. The institution of at least four open meetings a year to actively solicit townspeople's ideas. Out of this came the formation of our Health and Recreation Committees. Townspeople also suggested the two-acre minimum dwelling lot size which appears as a proposed ordinance in this Town Report.

4. We are currently investigating the possibility of obtaining HUD discretionary funds which are now becoming available to the small towns. These monies are made available to the towns before any projects are started, thus eliminating the need for towns to borrow against such funds.

We look forward to many more well attended open meetings as well as another successful year.

JOHN F. BASSETT, Chairman
LEONARD A. GUARALDI
WAYNE H. KNIGHT
MARGO T. MORAN
JESSIE M. WILSON

DUTIES OF THE SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECK LIST

The Board of Supervisors of the check list shall consist of three legal voters. One member of said board shall be chosen at each biennial election. They shall be sworn before entering upon the discharge of their duties. They shall hold office for six years.

The Board shall make and post, at two or more of the most public places in town a complete alphabetical check list of all legal voters in the town thirty days before the day of the biennial and annual elections and of any other election at which such list is to be used.

CHECK LIST STANDARDS

The Secretary of the State shall adopt rules for the composition and style of checklist and for the maintenance of data compile and correct the checklist.

The information to be maintained and updated shall include the full name, address and party affiliation, if any, of each voter on the checklist and other information as the Secretary requires.

The standard data to be filed on registration cards to be outlined in alphabetical order. File so maintained shall be a public record open to inspection.

There shall be sessions for the correction of the check list two days at least, the last of which shall be the Saturday ten days prior to election.

Reading Test: A copy of the Constitution containing five lines on uniform pasteboard slips that are kept in a box at all times.

Each applicant shall be required to draw a slip and read aloud the five lines and write one line printed on said slip and sign his name thereto.

The supervisors shall sign back of checklist as corrected by them and file a true copy with the Town Clerk.

Supervisors shall be present at the opening of each town meeting at which a check list is to be used and have with them the corrected check list for that meeting and shall remain in attendance upon the meeting until it is closed.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

"The Selectman must . . ." or "The Selectmen shall . . ." There are countless paragraphs in the Handbook for Selectmen that begin with sentences like the above. The Board of Selectmen, essentially a part-time unit of three elected officials, is faced with a constantly increasing barrage of new or changing laws and regulations from the Federal, State and County ruling bodies. Thus it is most difficult to carry out the responsibilities in the fair, effective and efficient manner that the Selectmen desire. Nevertheless, the job does get done. This is, of course, possible only because the other town officials have been cooperative and efficient in caring for the Town problems.

During the past year, we have, like everyone else, been faced with the problems of inflated costs. Grafton's contributions to the School district and the County have increased sharply, and will no doubt increase next year. The maintenance of the roads and bridges is more expensive, and the weather has made it more difficult. After school and road payments have been made very little is left for other expenses that have been already trimmed to the bone.

To raise monies, the Selectmen must appraise properties and assess them to collect the unavoidable taxes to cover the Town's responsibilities. An effort was made to bring all evaluations into line on a fair and equal basis. Some went up and some went down. Increased effort was made to ensure collection of other taxes such as the timber yield tax and dog license fees. It certainly is not equitable for some to pay their fair share and others to avoid their obligation. It is quite possible, and perhaps desirous that in the near future we consider having a complete and professional property appraisal performed. This will, of course, not be without considerable cost but would be a solid base for the future. Many other N. H. towns have already had this done, and do benefit from it.

Other positive steps have been taken during the year. One selectman has attended and contributed to each meeting of our planning board, which this year has begun to function efficiently and is moving rapidly ahead on items of interest to the town, such as the required tax map and the Master plan for the town. In these matters we have received benefit from our new membership in the Upper Valley - Lake Sunapee Council. One member of the planning board and one Selectman attend the meetings of the Council.

Early in the summer our Town Hall was scraped and Painted by the Grafton Volunteer Fire Department. The Selectmen assisted the Fire Department in equipping their new ambulance by authori-

zing them to paint he Town Hall. The selectmen obtained the paint at a competitive price, and the junior selectmen even did some scraping and painting. An important part of this event was the contribution of hundreds of sandwiches and sweets by the Ladies' Auxilliary Fire Department and other organizations.

The selectmen are required to periodically perambulate the Town boundary lines. One step was taken in this direction, but was not completed. It would be appreciated if anyone with specific information of the location of Town boundary markers would advise the selectmen.

In an effort to keep current with new laws and regulations the selectmen attend numerous meetings and training sessions in this area and in various parts of the State in an effort to improve our capabilities on the Town's behalf.

One of the objectives of the selectmen is to solve he problems of communication in the town. Word of mouth, holding public meetings (which relatively few people attend), posting notices on the bulletin boards at the Town Hall, Gordon's Store and the Dump, advertisements in local papers, does not seem to accomplish what is necessary. Planning Board open meetings are an important part of this process. Following this report is a list of important regualtions which should aid future town officers in their duties.

The Selectmen regularly meet the second and fourth Friday of each month from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. At this time they confer with other town officials on their particular responsibilities and matters of concern to the Town, and review and authorize payments of current bills. This is also the time when citizens come to discuss matters of concern to them. Handling correspondence, discussion of current and future town problems, preparing reports is normally handled at other times.

During the year a great deal of time was spent complying with the new welfare laws. The intricacies of the Food Stamp Program, the details of obtaining welfare for needy families, and the many short term local emergency needs are handled in confidence and with dignity to the recipients.

The board was represented during a sixty hour first aid course which was conducted during the summer. The town now has a cadre of some twenty five ambulance attendants and nine persons who have completed the rigorous EMT Course.

The selectman's clerk performed her duties with much attention to detail. The blotter books were alphabetized making them much easier to read and research. The receipts and expenditures were duely recorded in the town records. Quarterly and annual payroll and tax reports, warrants and other official documents were also prepared by the clerk. During important meetings the clerk recorded the minutes.

Finally, this past year the Selectmen have been able to divide more of the tasks among them. The bulk of the correspondence and telephone calls has necessarily been handled by the chairman. They have had a positive attitude towards their tasks, and would welcome thoughts, advice, and greater participation by the citizens of town.

SELECTMAN'S DUTIES

The Selectmen have requested all town officers to include in their annual reports a brief job description. This should include their duties and a listing of the appropriate laws pertaining to their office. Thus it is hoped that this annual Town Report will become a reference source for future office holders.

Each year a selectman is elected by the people to a three year term. The overlap of time provides for an orderly transfer of duties and ensures continuity of office.

Immediately upon assuming office the selectmen shall mail to all property holders (on or before 25 March) an inventory form and application for Veteran's exemptions which is provided by the State. This form is to be filled out completely by all the property owners and mailed back to the selectmen on or before 15 April. Please take advantage of having a receipt returned. If this inventory is not filed in accordance with the law, there is no legal basis for Selectmen, the Board of Taxation, or the Court, to consider an application for abatement. The form must be signed (RSA 74) (RSA 72:6; 7, 7-A, 8).

1 April, timber yield tax must be assessed on stumpage value cut previous year ending 31 March at a rate of 12% (79:1-13).

1 April, all polls and taxable property must be assessed (74:1). The property shall be assessed at full and true value (75:1). Taxable real property includes improved and unimproved real estate (72:6).

1 April, all residents between 18 and 65 (with some exceptions) are to be assessed a ten dollar residence tax. The warrant must be issued to tax collector before 31 May. (72:1 Supp.), 76:12, 13a, 16-c).

15 April, (or at a later time determined by the State) elderly persons should file for exemptions on form provided by the Commissioner of Revenue Administration (72:39).

Selectmen are charged with overseeing the public welfare (41:2, 56).

One selectman shall be an ex-officio member of the Planning Board.

1 May, juror list made up (500-A:2, 1971-456).

10 June, issue to police chief warrant to collect all fees or kill all unlicensed or uncollared dogs (466:14).

1 July, submit certification of yield taxes to Department of Reavenue Administration.

1 July, overseer of public welfare make report to Division of Public Welfare (41:46).

Selectmen shall supervise work of Town Road Agent (245:6, 10) (245:11) (245:9).

1 October, submit tax certificates to Department of Revenue Administration. (41:15a).

November, selectmen must warn and attend the biennial election meeting, post copy of purity of elections and be present when the votes are received and counted. (N. H. Constitution, Part II, Art. 32)

1 December, taxes due. Interest at 9% on unpaid taxes, thereafter 11% (76:13, 80:37).

31 December, close books (41:35).

31 January, Selectmen submit tentative budget (37:6).

31 January, last day for accepting articles for town warrant (39:3).

February, selectmen post town meeting warrant and budget 14 days before meeting (39:5, 31:95).

Town officer's annual report must be available at least seven (7) days prior to annual meeting (41:4).

1 March, last day to send last year's Town Financial Report to Division of Municipal Accounting (71:25).

First Tuesday, March, Town Meeting Day (39:1).

Source of data: Hand book for New Hampshire Selectmen and Local Officers. (N. H. Municipal Association)

BIRTHS

| Date of Birth | Place of Birth | Name of Child | Sex | Name & Birthplace of Father | Maiden Name & Birthplace of Mother | Residence of Mother |
|---------------|----------------|----------------------|-----|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Feb. 28, 1975 | Hanover | Kyle Ian Fellers | M | Gregor E. Fellers | Carol Ann Walker | Grafton |
| July 16, 1975 | Laconia | Jennifer P. Marshall | F | Henry J. Marshall | Frances A. Bonsall | Grafton |
| Oct. 11, 1975 | Hanover | Bradford E. Dimond | M | Bruce E. Dimond | Nancy Ann Phelps | Grafton |
| Oct. 23, 1975 | New London | James D. Ford | M | John H. Ford | Linda L. Cushing | Grafton |
| Dec. 1, 1975 | Hanover | George C. Belt | M | William C. Belt | Georgette J. Trask | Grafton |

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DOROTHY H. DAVIS, Town Clerk

MARRIAGES

| Date of Marriage | Place of Marriage | Name & Surname | Residence at time of Marriage | Age | Place of Birth | Name and Official Station of Person by whom Married |
|------------------|-------------------|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Feb. 14, 1975 | Bristol | Paul E. Nagle Marion G. Stiles | Concord, N.H. Grafton, N.H. | 8-13-'20 10-26-'10 | Massachusetts Massachusetts | Rev. Ethel Lee Mathews Religious |
| Feb. 22, 1975 | Pembroke | Paul M. Cooper Myrtle S. Hackeman | Grafton, N.H. Grafton, N.H. | 6-9-'06 9-20-'29 | New Hampshire New Hampshire | Rev. John W. Hammons Clergyman |
| May 25, 1975 | Grafton | James C. Damaskos Nancy R. Harlow | Cambridge, Ma. Bridgewater, Ma. | 2-22-'24 2-19-'34 | Massachusetts Massachusetts | Rev. John W. Hammons, Clergyman |
| July 19, 1975 | Plainfield | John H. Morrill Cecile L. Hammons | New York, N.Y. Grafton, N.H. | 1-7-'03 2-13-'10 | So. Dakota Rhode Island | Rev. Mason B. Ellison Clergyman |
| Aug. 16, 1975 | Grafton | Donald W. Mayo Mary E. O'Keefe | Warren, Ma. Warren, Ma. | 1-20-'30 10-4-'27 | Massachusetts Massachusetts | Edward H. Streeter Civil |
| Aug. 23, 1975 | Concord | James H. Dow Cindy Lou Bourrie | Grafton, N.H. Concord, N.H. | 10-28-'53 1-18-'57 | New Hampshire New Hampshire | Marjorie B. Foote Civil |
| Oct. 4, 1975 | Grafton | Robert E. Harrison Dorothy M. Workman | Wrentham, Ma. Grafton, N.H. | 9-25-'38 9-12-'39 | Massachusetts Massachusetts | Thomas D. Gleason Civil |
| Oct. 16, 1975 | Concord | Robert W. Pennington Rita M. Guaraldi | Grafton, N.H. Grafton, N.H. | 5-19-'45 11-12-'53 | Georgia Massachusetts | Winston L. Blake Civil |
| Nov. 2, 1975 | Grafton | Merle A. Kenyon Margaret L. Harrigan | Grafton, N.H. Grafton, N.H. | 11-2-'48 11-20-'50 | Massachusetts Massachusetts | Sheldon Keller Clergyman |

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DOROTHY H. DAVIS, Town Clerk

DEATHS

| Date of Death | Place of Death | Name & Surname | Age or | Place of Birth | Sex | Single or | | Occupation | Name of Father | Maiden Name of Mother |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------|----------------|-----|-----------|------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | | | Mar. | Wid. | | | |
| Jan. 23, 1975 | Grafton | Morris F. Braley | 84 | Grafton, N.H. | M | M | | Lumberman | Walter L. Braley | Lizzie J. French |
| Feb. 2, 1975 | Newport | Eta B. Sanders | 91 | New Hampshire | F | W | | Nurse | Harrison Quimby | Emily Prencle |
| Mar. 2, 1975 | Hanover | Antionette E. Daniels | 74 | France | F | M | | Retired | Antione Hartman | Belle Duxbury |
| Aug. 24, 1975 | Grafton | Arthur W. Rice | 65 | Mass. | M | S | | Farming | John Rice | Charlotte |
| Nov. 8, 1975 | Boscowen | Anna Aral | 91 | New Hampshire | F | W | | | Benjamin Fisk | Gertrude C. Feeley |
| Aug. 17, 1974 | Thailand | Robert A. Clark | 25 | Boston, Mass. | M | S | | Teacher | Arthur F. Clark | |

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DOROTHY H. DAVIS, Town Clerk

THE GIFT OUTRIGHT

*The land was ours before we were the land's.
She was our land more than a hundred years
Before we were her people. She was ours
In Massachusetts, in Virginia;
But we were England's, still colonials,
Possessing what we still were unpossessed by,
Possessed by what we now no more possessed.
Something we were withholding made us weak
Until we found out that it was ourselves
We were withholding from our land of living,
And forthwith found salvation in surrender.
Such as we were we gave ourselves outright
(The deed of gift was many deeds of war)
To the land vaguely realizing westward,
But still unstoried, artless, unenhanced,
Such as she was, such as she would become.*

Recited by poet Robert Frost
at
John Fitzgerald Kennedy's Innaugural

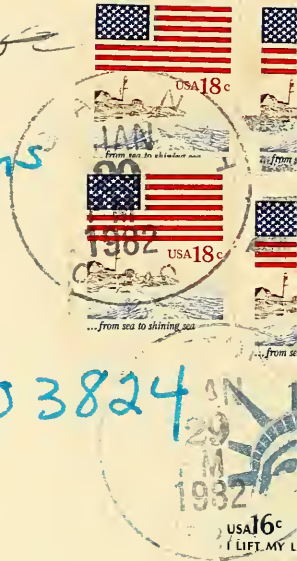
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From

OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
GRAFTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03240